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New doubt on Hamilton's future

Demands for inquiry into MPs' conduct

BY JILL SHERMAN AND RICHARD FORD

THE Prime Minister was under mounting pressure last night to set up an independent inquiry into the rules governing MPs' conduct as a way of defusing the "cash for questions" row.

With Neil Hamilton's future as junior Trade Minister looking increasingly insecure, John Major was urged by three former ministers to ask an independent body to examine the whole issue of MPs' interests outside the Commons as "government sleaze" continued to dominate the headlines.

John Biffen, former Leader of the Commons, said: "Perhaps Westminster is too important to be left purely to politicians." Lord Howe of Aberavon, former Chancellor and Foreign Secretary, told Sky Television that there may be a historical precedent for inquiries into such issues to be made independent. And Tim Renton, former Chief Whip, echoed the view of Norman Fowler, the past party Chairman, that an investigation should be set up outside Westminster to ensure public confidence was restored.

While Downing Street refused to rule out an independent investigation, however, senior ministers argued that it was a matter for Parliament. Labour MPs yesterday demanded a statement about the role of Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, in the Al-Fayed affair.

Mr Howard took out an injunction against the *Financial Times* on Friday night after objecting to one sentence in a story the paper intended to run on the "cash for questions" affair. Solicitors acting for Mr Howard secured the injunction, which remains in force until midday today. David Walker, managing editor of the *Financial Times*, confirmed that an injunction had been issued, but refused to comment further.

Home Office sources confirmed yesterday that Mr Howard was involved in discussing an application by Mr Ali Al-Fayed, brother of Mohamed Al-Fayed, for British citizenship. The Egyptian entrepreneur sought British citizenship early in 1993 after allegedly making a discreet inquiry via a third party about how his application would be received.

This summer Charles Wardle, then Immigration Minister, approached the Home Secretary after officials said that Ali Al-Fayed should not be given a passport.



Lord Howe: inquiry may have precedent

Mr Howard had insisted that the final decision on the application should be taken by the Immigration Minister, but had also suggested that further inquiries should be made with the Bank of England about Ali Al-Fayed.

A Home Office spokesman said yesterday: "The Home Secretary was concerned at all times to see that procedures followed by the department were fair to Mr Al-Fayed." No final decision has been taken over the application.

Labour's Immigration spokesman, Graham Allen, called for an inquiry into reports that Mr Howard had pressed Mr Wardle to "fast-track" the Al-Fayed brothers' citizenship applications.

David Hunt, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, fuelled speculation that the Government was considering an independent investigation into the "cash for questions" controversy by admitting that the Prime Minister had asked him to look at "the wider issues involved". He made clear, however, that there would be huge problems because the Committee of Privileges is already looking into the matter.

Asked on BBC's *On The Record* whether he would support an open inquiry involving outsiders, he said: "Well, it's very difficult to say yes or no to that when you have a Committee of Privileges sitting."

The Committee's inquiry has been undermined, however, by a decision by its Labour members to boycott it after the decision to hold the proceedings in private.

One senior minister conceded that the Government could put down a motion calling for an independent investigation, with specific terms of reference, which would then be debated by MPs.

Two former Tory ministers meanwhile urged Mr Hamilton to stand down while he cleared his name, and Mr Hunt, who is the Minister of Open Government, suggested he still had questions to answer about his £4,000 stay at the Paris Ritz at the expense of Mohamed Al-Fayed, owner of Harrods. Mr Hunt appeared to distance himself from Mr Hamilton by suggesting he should explain further why he accepted Mr Al-Fayed's hospitality. "I don't believe that anyone should allow any acceptance of any gift or hospitality to be allowed to colour in the public's mind their ability to stand up for the highest possible standards."

Opinion apeared to harden against Mr Hamilton when Edwina Currie and Alan Clark warned him he could not continue his job with a libel case outstanding.

"There will be court cases. In another year or so it is going to be all over the newspapers," said Mrs Currie, MP for Derbyshire South. "My instinct is that if he is still a member of government between now and then, he is going to do the rest of the government a lot of damage."

Supporters of Mr Hamilton were last night presenting a robust defence of his case. Edward Leigh, the former Trade Minister, said that the Commons Committee of Members' Interests had already decided not to investigate Mr Hamilton's 1987 stay at the Ritz last year.

"If they decided there was nothing to investigate seven years after the event, why should they change their mind eight years after the event?" said Mr Leigh. "And why has Mr Al-Fayed suddenly decided to come up with all this information?"

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JIM BENNETT

Andrew and Camilla Parker Bowles at home yesterday while Prince Harry and his father were at Aberdeen airport

Prince rejected Parker Bowles plea

BY EMMA WILKINS AND RUTH GLEDHILL

DETAILED disclosures of the intensity of the relationship between the Prince of Wales and Camilla Parker Bowles raised further questions yesterday about the wisdom of the Prince's decision to co-operate with Jonathan Dimbleby over his authorised biography.

As Church leaders remained steadfast in their support for the Prince and Princess of Wales, Mrs Parker Bowles spent an uncomfortable day at home in Corsham, Wiltshire.

With her husband, Brigadier Andrew Parker Bowles, and their two children, Tom, 19, and Laura, 16, Mrs Parker Bowles, 47, ventured outside just once — on a walk to stables near her home.

Despite the disclosure that the Prince enjoyed the "most intimate friendship of his life" with Mrs Parker Bowles at times when they were both married to other people, the Prince's aides insisted that he did not regret co-operating with Dimbleby.

The Prince is reported to have rejected pleas from Mrs Parker Bowles not to co-operate over the book. She is said to have pointed out to the Prince that any disclosures about their relationship could lead only to further controversy and distress.

The Prince gave the author every assistance — allowing him access to 10,000 of his private letters and diaries and instructing his friends that the biography was an authorised account of his public, and private, life.

"In Camilla Parker Bowles, the prince found the warmth, the understanding and the steadiness for which he had always longed and had never been able to find with any other person," Dimbleby says.

Despite the discomfort such revelations are bound to cause Mrs Parker Bowles and her husband, the Prince's aides at St James's Palace standing by were yesterday the official response given last week when extracts from Dimbleby's book first appeared in *The Sunday Times*.

He does not regret co-operating with Mr Dimbleby either on the film, or the book," a royal aide said.

"He's been a bit disappointed at the way that Mr Dimbleby's interpretations have been presented as

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British tourist shot dead in Egypt

BY CHRISTOPHER WALKER, BILL FROST AND HARVEY ELLIOTT

A BRITISH tourist was shot dead and three others were injured yesterday when suspected Islamic extremists opened fire on their minibus in southern Egypt.

John Byers, 46, from Maidenhead, Berkshire, was hit in the chest in the attack near the town of Naqada, 18 miles north of Luxor, security forces said. His wife, Linda Edwards, was slightly hurt.

The two other Britons were Michael and Martine Morris, who made their booking in Swansea. Mrs Morris, 47, had her right shoulder broken; her husband, 46, has scratches to his back. All were last night in Cairo waiting to fly to London.

Representatives of the tour operators, Hayes and Jarvis, had refused to take the four tourists to Denderah, near Naqada, hours before the attack. "It seems that they decided to go anyway and rented a minibus taxi," a company official said in London. "We had cancelled all visits to Denderah on Foreign Office advice, and are extremely upset about it."

"All our clients on arrival in Egypt were told of the changes," the official said. "It seems they continued with their own arrangements."

The attack, 300 miles south of Cairo, was carried out almost exactly two years after Sharon Hill, 28, a British nurse, became the first tourist killed by extremists seeking to overthrow Egypt's government and impose Islamic rule.

The Egyptian Interior Ministry said in Cairo that the Britons' minibus was not travelling the usual tourist route and would have been given police protection had security officials been told in advance.

Thomas Cook said some holidaymakers intending to visit Egypt had telephoned to ask about danger, but none had cancelled so far.

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Heathrow disrupted

Heathrow Airport was disrupted for the second time in days yesterday when part of tunnelling work for the new Paddington express rail link collapsed. Hundreds of flights were delayed. Underground services suspended and huge tailbacks built up as engineers struggled to contain the latest subsidence. A disused office block was on the brink of being swallowed up last night ..... Page 5

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Clinton heading for Middle East

President Clinton leaves Washington tomorrow on a four-day tour of the Middle East for talks with leaders and parliamentarians in Egypt, Jordan, Syria, Israel and Saudi Arabia. He will also visit US troops in Kuwait ..... Page 12

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Company directors are awarding themselves pay increases of almost three times the rate of inflation, in contrast to the low level of wage rises seen in the rest of the economy, according to a new survey ..... Page 48

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Terry Maher, the former chairman of Penios, the Dillons group, has held talks with one of America's largest booksellers, asking them to finance his return to the high street ..... Page 48

Sinn Fein chief claims 'assurance' over Irish unity

BY NICHOLAS WATT, IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

MARTIN McGuinness, a leading member of Sinn Fein, was accused of "mischief making" last night when he claimed to have received a private assurance from the British Government that it was working towards a united Ireland.

Only hours before John Major was due to meet Albert Reynolds, the Irish Prime Minister, at Chequers to iron out differences in the peace process, Mr McGuinness said that he had been given the assurance by a Government representative speaking with "the full authority of the British Prime Minister".

Mr McGuinness, who was in London for the first time after the lifting on Friday of the order excluding him from the mainland, said: "In March of last year I did have a meeting with a representative of the British Government who said to us that the eventual outcome of all that Britain was trying to do would be that the island would be as one."

Although he refused to identify the person he spoke to, or to say whether he was a politician or a civil servant, Mr McGuinness told BBC television's *On The Record* programme there was no doubt that the remarks conveyed to him had the authority of John Major and the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland. His claim was rejected as "patent nonsense" last night, however, by Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Northern Ireland Secretary.

He said: "No British Government representative has ever been authorised, or will ever be authorised, to support a united Ireland unless it is by the consent of the people of Northern Ireland."

The remarks were greeted last night with some embarrassment by Whitehall sources, who said that Mr McGuinness was engaged in "mischief making".

It was felt that his comments, which are bound to alarm Unionists, were largely aimed at reassuring IRA and Sinn Fein hardliners who remain sceptical about the peace process.

As Mr Major and Mr Reynolds prepared for today's summit, Mr McGuinness also urged the British Government to withdraw from the province and warned that violence could again erupt unless political differences were quickly resolved.

"What I would like to see happening is the British Government giving a clear commitment that they intend to end British jurisdiction in my country. It makes sense," Mr McGuinness said.

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Wardell charged with wife's killing

BY RICHARD DUCE

GORDON Wardell, the husband of a building society manageress who made an emotional appeal to help catch his wife's killers, was yesterday charged with her murder.

Mr Wardell, 41, will appear in court today accused of murdering his wife, Carol, and stealing £14,120 from the Woolwich Building Society in Nuneaton, Warwickshire, where she worked.

Mr Wardell, a warehouse manager, of Bonneville Close, Meriden, near Coventry, had been detained since last Thursday for questioning about the murder on September 12. Magistrates had granted police two extensions, the second of which would have expired at 7 pm last night. He was charged some four hours before the deadline.

Mrs Wardell, 38, was found dead from asphyxiation in a lay-by near Nuneaton. Mr Wardell told police he had returned home the previous evening to discover her being held at knife-point by a man in a clown's mask. He said he had been tied up by the raiders who then abducted his wife.

Mr Wardell attended his wife's funeral at St Lawrence's Church, Meriden, on October 13, where he was seen to be crying on entering and leaving.



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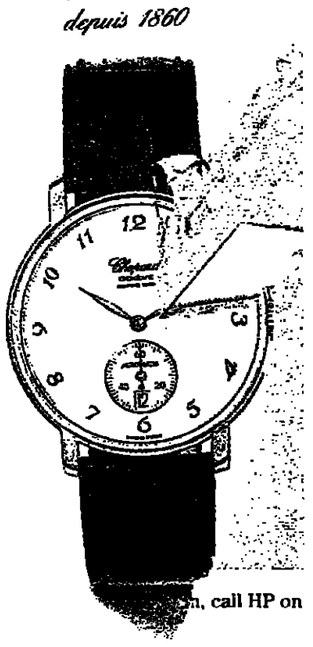
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Reynolds sends blunt message to dissident republicans resisting peace

Dublin raid on activists raises fear of attacks

BY NICHOLAS WATT, IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

FEARS that dissident republicans are planning to launch a wave of terrorist attacks in Northern Ireland were raised over the weekend when Irish police raided the homes of more than 50 activists.

Hundreds of armed detectives in nine counties throughout the Republic swooped on the homes after police discovered a cache of weapons within miles of the border with Northern Ireland.

Police made four arrests and seized one firearm, a two-way radio, a quantity of ammunition and documents from republican groups vehemently opposed to the IRA ceasefire.

Most of the activists raided were members of Republican Sinn Fein (RSF), which split away from the mainstream party in 1986. Some were also believed to be members of the Irish National Republican Army, the military wing of RSF.

Tommy McKearney, who joined the IRA hunger strike at the Maze Prison near Belfast in the early 1980s, was among those arrested.

Police acted after they discovered three pistols, 3,000 rounds of ammunition and detonators last Tuesday in a shed in a forest in Co Louth, which is within miles of the border crossing on the main Dublin to Belfast road.

The dawn raids on Saturday morning were cleared at the highest level of the Irish government. Albert Reynolds, the Prime Minister, pledged that the police would react to any threat to the peace process. "It was always to be expected that there would be some number of people opposed to the ceasefire. We don't expect it to be really a threat but the security authorities are very vigilant in relation to this," he said.

Bernadette McAliskey, the former nationalist MP, who has condemned the IRA ceasefire, attacked the raids. She said: "If Mr Reynolds and his government propose to defend our rights in the North by abusing them in the South it doesn't hold out much hope for the future."

The raids came after Ruairi O Bradaigh, leader of Republican Sinn Fein, said that another terrorist group would emerge to replace the IRA. In an interview with the *Belfast Telegraph* at the weekend Mr O Bradaigh said: "When those members of the Provisionals waiting to see what they have gained realise they have gained nothing, many will become disillusioned and some will be prepared to do something about it."

The *Sunday Tribune* of Dublin underlined the fragility of the IRA ceasefire yesterday when it reported that the truce would be reviewed by the terrorists in the spring.



McAliskey: opposed to IRA ceasefire

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Martin McGuinness being interviewed yesterday by BBC Television during which he claimed to have received a private assurance from the British Government that it was working towards a united Ireland

Catholics join Protestants to mark anniversary of Shankill bombing

BY NICHOLAS WATT

HUNDREDS of people crammed into a small Methodist Church on the Shankill Road in Belfast yesterday to mark the first anniversary of the IRA bomb attack on their local fish shop that killed nine Protestants.

Grieving relatives were joined at the Shankill Methodist Church by a party of Roman Catholics from Greysteel, the Co Londonderry village where seven people were killed in a loyalist revenge attack a week later.

Locals from the Shankill area, many of whom spent hours after the bomb sifting through rubble for survivors, returned to pay their respects to the victims who included two 63-year-old men and a seven-year-old girl and her mother.

Many stood outside the packed church, which is just a few yards from the crater where Frizzell's fish shop once stood. New wreaths and pictures of some of the victims were fixed to the boarding which covers the bomb site.

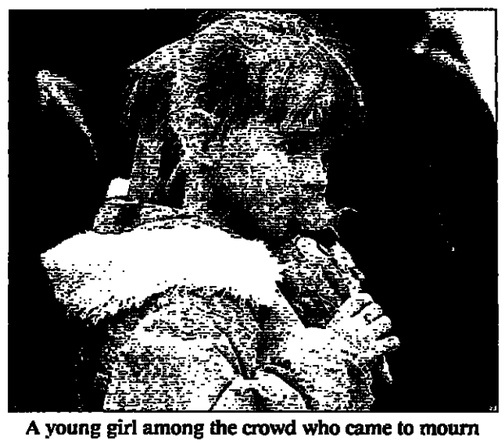
The Rev David Clements, from the nearby Woodvale Methodist Church, told the congregation that they had gathered to remember all the people who suffered after the "evil atrocity".

Mr Clements, whose own father was murdered by the IRA in 1985, said: "We are not here to make martyrs of the victims, nor to nourish any spirit of bitterness that there may be, and certainly not to make any political point. What we are here to do is to stand in solidarity with the victims."

Mr Clements said that many relatives and locals were plagued by bitter memories and unanswerable questions. But he said: "It is impossible for us to forget the past. It would be wrong for us to do so. And yet we know deep in our hearts that we must go on, we cannot let our tears tie us to the past." The congregation then stood for a minute's silence.

After the service, Charlie Butler, who lost his niece Evelyn Baird, 27, and her daughter Michelle, 7, said: "I feel a touch of sadness, but also a touch of hopefulness.

"There are people from Greysteel here who are obviously going through what we are. If they can take time out to grieve with us then there must be hope for the future."



A young girl among the crowd who came to mourn

Private Post Office plan 'spells disaster'

Michael Heseltine's plan to privatise the Post Office would put Parcelforce out of business and cripple the Royal Mail, according to a report by a senior Post Office executive. The confidential report, written by a Richard Adams, the Post Office's director of corporate planning, says that the Government can avoid these risks only by limiting the competition, which might be in breach of European law.

Mr Adams says that exclusive access by Royal Mail and Parcelforce to the Post Office counters' network could not be maintained and that Parcelforce could lose £90 million and Royal Mail £162.5 million.

Siege house death

Police found the body of a man in a house yesterday at the end of a siege lasting several hours. Officers had stormed the house in Chelmsford, Essex, after hearing a shot. Shortly before, a woman babysitter and two children had left the house. They were uninjured. Police later confirmed that a woman taken to hospital in Colchester yesterday morning after being shot in the foot had lived with the gunman andwas the mother of the children. The dead man was not their father.

Double murder charges

Two men will appear before magistrates at Chichester, West Sussex, today charged with murder after the shooting of two young men in the garden of the Star Gazer public house in Selsey on Thursday night. A third man arrested after the shooting has been charged with perverting the course of justice. Police declined to name the three, but said that they were all from Selsey. The men who died, Sean Farrelly, 24, a scaffolder, and Jason Connors, 22, a fisherman, were also from the town.

Cleric joins the jet-set

Canon Barry Thomas, 53, is to leave Caernarfon in North Wales for a three-year posting as Anglican chaplain in the principality of Monaco with its gambling resort of Monte Carlo. He said: "I am sure I will meet some very glamorous people. However, I treat all people the same so it will not make any difference to my life or work at all." The work of an Anglican chaplain in Monte Carlo also has unofficial diplomatic aspects since he is the only representative of Lambeth Palace in Monaco.

Women seek car help

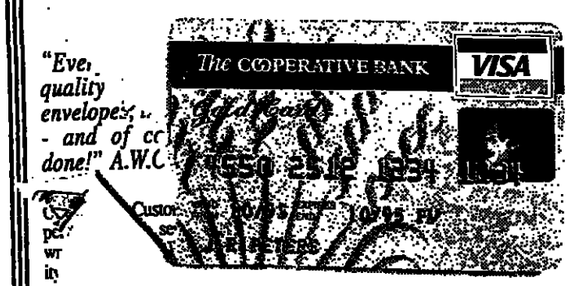
Women are joining motoring organisations in increasing numbers for the protection they give against crime, according to a report published today. Lesser-known groups such as National Breakdown and Europ Assistance are the beneficiaries of this increased membership, the marketing analysts Mintel say. Women are said to have responded to the introduction of priority services for women introduced by motoring organisations. Membership of these organisations has grown by 21 per cent since 1989.

Slave trade museum

Britain's first substantial permanent exhibition on the history of the slave trade will be opened at the Merseyside Maritime Museum, Liverpool, today by the black American writer Maya Angelou. The city's wealth as one of the world's major ports was built largely on the slave trade from the 15th century onwards. The project was the brainchild of Peter Moores, a millionaire whose private foundation donated more than £500,000 to the exhibition.

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Government acts over 'abuse of patronage' allegations

Hunt announces overhaul of appointments to quangos

BY ALICE THOMSON, POLITICAL REPORTER

THE Prime Minister is planning an overhaul of quango appointments which would allow the public to nominate candidates. Positions could also be advertised as part of a government campaign to prove that it is not "stuffing" quangos with its supporters.

Mr Major wants to shake off Labour allegations that the Tories have been abusing their powers of patronage on the 1,389 quangos in Britain which dispose of £60 billion in public funds a year.

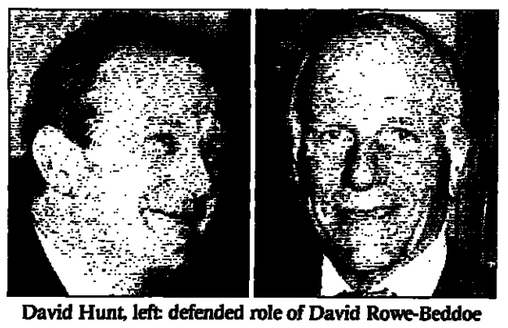
The Government is also likely to recommend releasing more details about members of quangos, according to David Hunt, the minister for open government. Tony Blair, the Labour leader, last week challenged Mr Major to produce a list of members of quangos, their payments, perks and any political persuasion. A report by the Labour MP George Howarth suggested that people on quangos tended to have ties with firms making donations to the Tory party.

Disclosing the proposals yesterday on BBC1's *On The Record*, Mr Hunt said: "We have got a lot of local bodies, like training and enterprise councils, private companies, housing association bodies, and local school boards and I would like to find ways in which we can ensure, not only that people can nominate themselves to sit on public bodies but also that other people can nominate those they consider to be the best possible individuals. There is also a place for advertising."

The Labour Party has seized on the case of David Rowe-Beddoe, a former chairman of the Monte Carlo Conservatives Abroad Association, who is being paid more than £70,000 a year of taxpayers' money to run the two most important quangos in Wales while full-time chairman of a company in Monte Carlo.

Mr Rowe-Beddoe is supposed to be working for four days a week as chairman of both the Welsh Development Agency and the Development Board of Rural Wales. Yesterday his Monte Carlo office said that Mr Rowe-Beddoe has a full-time job in Monaco with the Cavendish Services Group. Labour is demanding an inquiry into how he combines the two jobs.

Mr Hunt said Labour's accusations over quangos were exaggerated: "There has been so much mud thrown around. Some of it is trash. Mr Rowe-Beddoe has impeccable Welsh credentials. He is undoubtedly an exceedingly successful chairman of the Welsh Development Agency."



David Hunt, left: defended role of David Rowe-Beddoe

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The lunch that lit the touch-paper of the sleaze in high places scandal

BY RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

TWO hours before John Major stunned MPs by admitting that for three weeks the Cabinet Secretary had been investigating cash for questions allegations, two former business enemies met for lunch. In the private dining room on the fifth floor of Harrods last Thursday, "Tiny" Rowland and Mohamed Al-Fayed lunched on smoked salmon.

The lunch was a convivial affair. What is not known is whether the two men discussed their pledge of last year to "work together in expanding their mutual interests" to bury the hatchet after an eight-year struggle or whether both men are intent on burying a hatchet into John Major's Government. As the two men lunched, the "cash for questions" row was already embarrassing the Conservatives, their common enemy, and tainting Mr Major's administration with yet more scandal.

One junior minister, Tim Smith, resigned; another, Neil Hamilton, issued a libel writ in the fight to remain in office as a trade minister with special responsibility for corporate probity; while the Government and Conservative Party was forced on to the defensive over allegations of sleaze in high places.

Within hours of that lunch, the corridors and lobbies of the "mother of parliaments" resembled a coffee shop in a casbah. Rumour piled upon ever more extravagant rumour.

On Thursday Mr Al-Fayed gave a series of interviews but many of his allegations were actionable and could not be reported. In most cases he also failed to provide journalists with hard evidence to support his claims.

At the same time Michael Cole, the Al-Fayeds' spokesman, launched a huge lobbying operation to put across their case from his office at Harrods. This only fuelled an already fevered atmosphere at Wesminster where rumours suggested that another minister, perhaps a member of the Cabinet, would be the next person accused. But other rumours also swept Westminster, including one that a senior minister was paid a bribe of £500,000 and that another minister cashed in jewellery given in return for helping to win contracts for foreign governments.

Of all the rumours only the principal complaint of Mr Al-Fayed — that the Home Office had blocked an application by his brother Ali for British citizenship — has so far been supported.

Sources in the Home Office confirmed yesterday that Michael Howard had advised further inquiries be made about the application "to ensure Mr Al-Fayed had been fairly treated".

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Princes to be reunited with their mother as Royal couple face more damaging revelations

Warm US welcome may lead Princess abroad

By Martin Fletcher in Washington and Emma Wilkins



The Princess of Wales waves as she leaves the British Ambassador's Washington residence; Prince William averts his eyes from photographers last night at RAF Lynham

THE Princess of Wales was accorded the rare privilege of private meetings with the wives of the President and Vice-President during her visit to America at the weekend.

At a lunch hosted by Sir Robin Renwick, the British Ambassador, the Princess spent 15 minutes in conversation with Hillary Clinton and Tipper Gore before other guests arrived. The First and Second ladies stayed on after other guests, including General Colin Powell, former chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, had left. "There was a lot of raucous laughter and they seemed to get on very well," said one guest. The Princess has been keen to re-establish her friendship with Mrs Clinton since they met in June at the D-Day commemorations.

The warmth of the welcome looks set to provoke speculation that, should the Princess decide to live abroad in the future, she might chose the United States as a base.

The Princess, who has been staying with her friend Lucia Flecha de Lima, wife of the Brazilian Ambassador, attended a dinner on Friday given by Katherine Graham, owner of *The Washington Post*.

She flew home last night and is expected to be reunited with Princes William and Harry, currently on half term from Ludgrove School. The children returned with the Prince of Wales from Balmoral last night. It was the Princess's refusal to sign a Buckingham Palace statement distancing herself from Andrew Morton's account of her unhappy marriage which proved a turning point in the Prince's view of his wife, according to Jonathan Dimbleby's book serialised in *The Sunday Times* yesterday, which detailed the final sequence of events in the breakdown of the marriage. For Buckingham Palace, the refusal was persuasive evidence that the Princess had co-operated with Mr Morton.

Against this turbulent background, the Princess refused to accompany her husband on a tour of Korea until the Queen intervened. The trip was a public relations disaster. The couple could barely conceal their despair.

The Prince wrote to a friend of his unhappiness: "The strain is immense, and yet I want to do my duty in the way I've been trained. I feel so unsuited to the ghastly business of human intrigue and general nastiness. I don't know what will happen from now on but I dread it."

On November 25, 1992, the couple met at Kensington Palace and the Princess accepted the separation. The Queen and the Prime Minister were consulted and it was agreed that an announcement would be made.

According to extracts from Mr Dimbleby's book, the Prince became close to Camilla Parker Bowles on three occasions: once in 1972; again after her marriage to Andrew Parker Bowles, but before the Prince's wedding in 1981; and a third time after 1986 when the Prince's marriage had — in his own view — irretrievably broken down.

According to Mr Dimbleby's book, the Prince has told advisers he wants to establish a new royal house of Mountbatten-Windsor when he becomes King, but Buckingham Palace dismissed the report as "conjecture".

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though they were directly attributable to him, but he co-operated in a way which recognised the independence of the author."

While the Prince does not necessarily agree with all Dimbleby's conclusions, *the two men remain* on good terms, the aide added.

Lambeth Palace, the London office of Dr George Carey, the Archbishop of Canterbury, last night made clear that there had been no change in the view expressed by both the Archbishops of Canterbury and York in December 1992, when the separation was announced. The Archbishops said then the Church of England accepted that there were some circumstances in the case of unsuccessful marriages, however sad, where separation was the lesser evil and hence the best way forward.

Dimbleby claimed that the Prince has been advised by Lambeth Palace that there will be no constitutional bar to his becoming King if he divorces and remarries. Lambeth Palace said last night that the Archbishop had made no public comment on this issue because the Prince and Princess had made clear as recently as last week that divorce was not under consideration.

"Mr Dimbleby's comments are speculation on what is at present a hypothetical situation," a spokesman said.

Children missing as father skips jail

By A Staff Reporter

THE mother of two children believed to have been abducted by their father, an escaped prisoner whom police describe as dangerous, appealed last night for their return.

James Moore, 35, broke out of Everthorpe Prison, North Humberside, on Friday with another prisoner as his children were being taken from his ex-wife Julie by the woman he married a fortnight ago.

Moore was serving an eight-year sentence in connection with an earlier abduction of his son David, six, and daughter Clare, four. He may be armed.

He was allowed out of prison under guard to marry Trina Powell, 26. On Saturday morning David and Clare were taken while their mother slept. Julie Moore said: "I never thought he would do it again. All I want is them to come back safely."



Julie Moore: "I want them home safely"

Nigerian dies while police question wife

By Ian Murray

A NIGERIAN man died after falling from the top floor of a four-storey block of flats in Stockwell, south London, yesterday as immigration and police officers were questioning his heavily pregnant wife.

The dead man's family claimed last night that he had died as a result of police brutality and said that feelings were running so high that it would take little to spark a riot in the area, which borders Brixton.

Scotland Yard's Criminal Investigation Branch has opened an inquiry into claims that the man survived the fall, but was pinned down by police as he struggled to escape. The rumour spread quickly, raising tensions among the large Afro-Caribbean population in the deprived district.

The knock at the door came just after 8am at the flat where Joseph Nnalua, 31 and his wife, Grace Abrahams, have lived for nearly five years. Mrs Abrahams, who is expecting a baby next month, was preparing breakfast for their two young children and the couple were planning to go to church as usual on a Sunday.

"I went to the door and there was a man who said we should have left the country in 1990," Mrs Abrahams said, as family and friends from the church tried to comfort her.

"I told him that we had a letter saying we could stay and I went to the kitchen but I couldn't find it. I was very upset and they held me tight although I was only trying to explain.

"My husband was upstairs, going to have a shower, when the knock at the door came. I know he was shocked. Then I saw him falling past the window. I got to the window and looked down and saw him trying to run away but there were police there and they held him."

Her brother said: "We don't know if he jumped or was pushed. All we know is that he was still alive when he landed in the garden at the back.

"Grace told us police pinned him down and used excessive force and that he didn't die until 30 minutes after he landed. The children saw everything as well. We think he was killed by the police."

The Home Office said that an immigration officer, accompanied by two police constables, called at the flat "following information received".

Scotland Yard said the immigration officer had been talking to the woman who answered the door for a matter of minutes when "they saw a man falling past the window from the floor above. An air ambulance was called but the man was certified dead at the scene". The Police Complaints Authority had been told about the incident.

Last night Yomi Buraimoh-Igbo, a former Lambeth councillor, said the death showed immigration and police officers had learnt nothing since last year when a Jamaican woman, Joy Gardner, died in a struggle as she was arrested in order to be deported. "We have endured these things in silence for too long," he said. "We must now consider taking action so that our voice can be heard."

Home Office statistics published last week showed that 5,300 people had been deported and 4,400 deportation notices issued in the year ending on June 30.

Diabetic died in police cell after drink-driving arrest

By Richard Duce

A DIABETIC stroke victim who was arrested for alleged drink driving apparently because he had difficulty speaking died in a cell after police failed to realise he needed insulin, it was claimed last night.

John Moorhouse, 51, a father of three, was stopped by an off-duty police officer as he drove home early on Friday evening after visiting a friend in hospital. Mr Moorhouse could not speak clearly because he had previously suffered a stroke.

He was taken to Killingbeck police station in Leeds and put in a cell. An hour after his detention police realised he was ill and called a police surgeon, who arrived within 30 minutes, by which time Mr Moorhouse had died. The Moorhouse family, who are considering legal action against West Yorkshire Police, say his arrest deprived him of life-saving insulin. Family friends say Mr Moorhouse was wearing a bracelet identifying him as a diabetic, and carried a card stating his medical history.

A spokesman West Yorkshire Police said officers involved were being questioned.

Joyce Lister, warden at Halton Moor, Leeds, the sheltered housing where Mr Moorhouse lived, said at times he forgot to take his insulin, making him slightly aggressive and appear drunk.

"John couldn't have a conversation because of his speech problem. He would never drink and drive and we believe he had not taken his insulin when he was arrested."

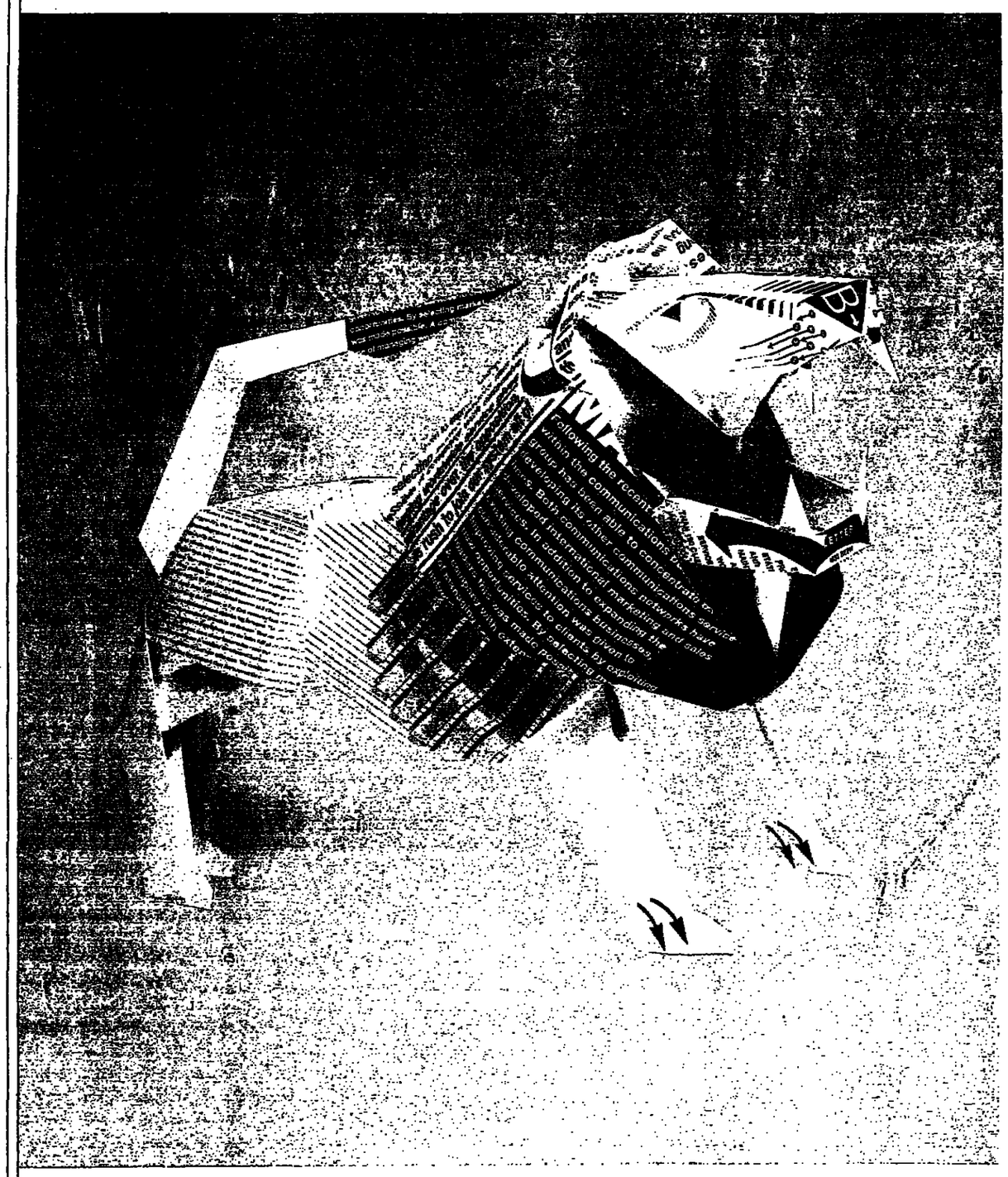
Mark Moorhouse, 29, the dead man's eldest son, said: "The police have not told us all the circumstances yet, but as a precaution we have put everything in the hands of our solicitor. It is possible that the police acted wrongfully."

Mrs Lister said that Mr Moorhouse had been driving home once before when he was taken ill.

"I could see his car swerving over the road. He slumped over the wheel and I rushed out to help him get his injections but he pushed me away."

An inquest will be opened today at Leeds.

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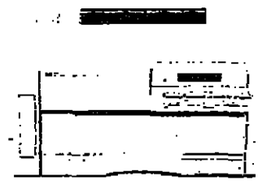
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Blair chief eyes his brother's old Downing Street job

BY ANDREW PIERCE AND MARTIN FLETCHER

WHEN the Powell brothers meet at future family gatherings they have decided never to discuss politics. Jonathan, 38, the youngest of the four, has been appointed Tony Blair's chief of staff. His oldest brother, Sir Charles, 53, was for six years the head of Margaret Thatcher's Downing Street kitchen cabinet.

Christopher, 51, the second oldest brother, will be striving to ensure the baby of the family follows Sir Charles into Downing Street. The head of the advertising agency BMPDDB Needham, Christopher helped to run Labour's last two general election campaigns, and was one of the image-makers behind the red-rose logo adopted by the party under Neil Kinnock.

Only Roderick, 46, a senior executive at the ICL computer company in Dallas, has failed to declare a political interest. "I hope he is not going to go Liberal Democrat on me and work for Paddy Ashdown," Sir Charles yesterday.

If Mr Blair wants to build on the lessons of Bill Clinton's 1992 presidential victory to capture Downing Street, he could not have picked a better chief of staff than Jonathan Powell, the first secretary at the British Embassy in Washington. Responsible for monitoring American domestic politics, Mr Powell spent weeks on the campaign trail during the presidential election.

Sir Charles was also first secretary at the Washington embassy when he was in his thirties. Like Jonathan, he went to King's School, Canterbury and Oxford. Both read modern history. Christopher studied at the London School of Economics in its heyday of radicalism, and moved left. Their parents, John and Ysolda, are traditional Conservatives.

Sir Charles, after stints with the Foreign Office in Helsinki, Bonn, Washington and Brussels, caught Lady Thatcher's eye during the Lancaster House negotiations to settle the Rhodesia conflict. He became her special adviser on foreign affairs in 1984 and, in her last six years in Downing Street, her most trusted courtier.



The Powells, left to right: Jonathan, Sir Charles, Ysolda, John, Roderick and Christopher

Jonathan went on a BBC management training course, worked briefly for Granada Television, before following Sir Charles into the diplomatic service in 1979. He worked in Lisbon and Vienna and had a spell in the policy planning department where his brother had worked 15 years earlier.

He is bright, energetic, very highly-regarded by Sir Robin Renwick, the British Ambassador in Washington, and a conspicuous high-flier. He would undoubtedly have ended up as an ambassador had he wished.

Jonathan's time on the Clinton campaign trail consolidated his socialist inclinations. He came to know all the key players in the Clinton camp and minutely studied their methods. He was among the first at the embassy correctly to predict Mr Clinton's ultimate triumph. Since then he has remained in very close touch with many presidential advisers including Paul Begala and James Carville, the political strategists, Stanley Greenberg, the President's pollster, and Mandy Grunwald, the communications expert.

Earlier this month, Jonathan, a long-standing Labour supporter, arranged for Gordon Brown, the shadow Chancellor, to see a string of senior administration officials and congressmen. But the really fortuitous visit was Mr Blair's in January 1993, when the two got to know each other. One month later, Jonathan joined the Labour Party.

Jonathan met his wife Karen while doing a master's degree at the University of Pennsylvania after Oxford. He is youthful looking with piercing blue eyes and an undiplomatic mop of curly hair. If Labour wins the election he will be the youngest person to become the Prime Minister's chief of staff, stealing the prize from Sir Charles. He will have one regret if he moves to Downing Street. His close friend Christopher Meyer, John Major's press secretary, would be leaving.

Christopher Powell devised Ken Livingstone's campaign against the abolition of the Greater London Council, for which he had once unsuccessfully stood. In 1986, Peter Mandelson, then Labour's head of communications, asked Christopher to chair a team of volunteers from the advertising industry to help the party, the Shadow Communications Agency.

Christopher said last night: "Charles had an interesting job in Downing Street. I sincerely hope Jonathan does too. I will do what I can to help him get there."

Roderick Powell, the second youngest at 46, is rumoured to be a Tory sympathiser, but has only one devotion. Christopher said: "He is passionate about Bournemouth football club."

Flights delayed and Tube stations close as landslip creates huge caverns at airport

Heathrow chaos as engineers struggle to save buildings

BY HARVEY ELLIOTT, AIR CORRESPONDENT, AND HELEN JOHNSTONE

AN office block was on the brink of collapse and hundreds of flights were delayed yesterday as engineers fought to stabilise collapsed workings on the new Underground rail link at Heathrow airport.

Last night tons of concrete were being pumped into caverns which opened up at the heart of the airport. Roads, Underground stations and two car parks were closed during the day, causing chaos for many travellers.

Engineers were unable to say what caused the subsidence, although questions were being asked about the use of a new tunnelling method used to excavate the main station concourse. Other possible causes being considered were vibrations from existing Tube lines and heavy rain.

Travellers were warned last night that it would be several days before the airport returned to anywhere near normal. They were advised to allow twice as long to reach the airport after a day of chaos in which congestion prevented aircrew from reaching their planes and left many passengers dragging their luggage long distances to reach terminals from distant car parks.

The subsidence threatened to swallow up a two-storey office block, Cambourne House, used as the headquarters of the management team building the new link. The building, cracked and leaning at a precarious angle, is likely to be demolished. A number of portable buildings were also poised close to the edge of the hole that has opened up above the workings.

Engineers declined to comment on the cause of the landslip until they were able to reach the bottom of the 60ft shaft from which tunnel work is being conducted. The main concourse of the £300 million Express Rail Link station, due to be completed in 1997, has been excavated using a system known as the new Austrian tunnel method.

The method involves sinking a vertical shaft to the required depth then using a JCB-type digger to gouge out the tons of London clay along a 200-metre path before covering the surfaces of the tunnel in netting and spraying them with concrete. The method was pioneered in Austria in the 1960s and is particularly useful in creating larger spaces where access from the surface is difficult. It was used successfully in the construction of the Channel Tunnel.

The Austrian method is considered to give better control over any stresses or ground movements by enabling the sprayed concrete to act as a support as the work advances.

The Channel Tunnel was bored largely through chalk and investigators who began work last night will want to establish whether London clay has different properties which might not have been appreciated.

Balfour Beatty won the contract to complete the Heathrow tunnel work against fierce foreign competition. It began work in February and employs 650 people on the project.

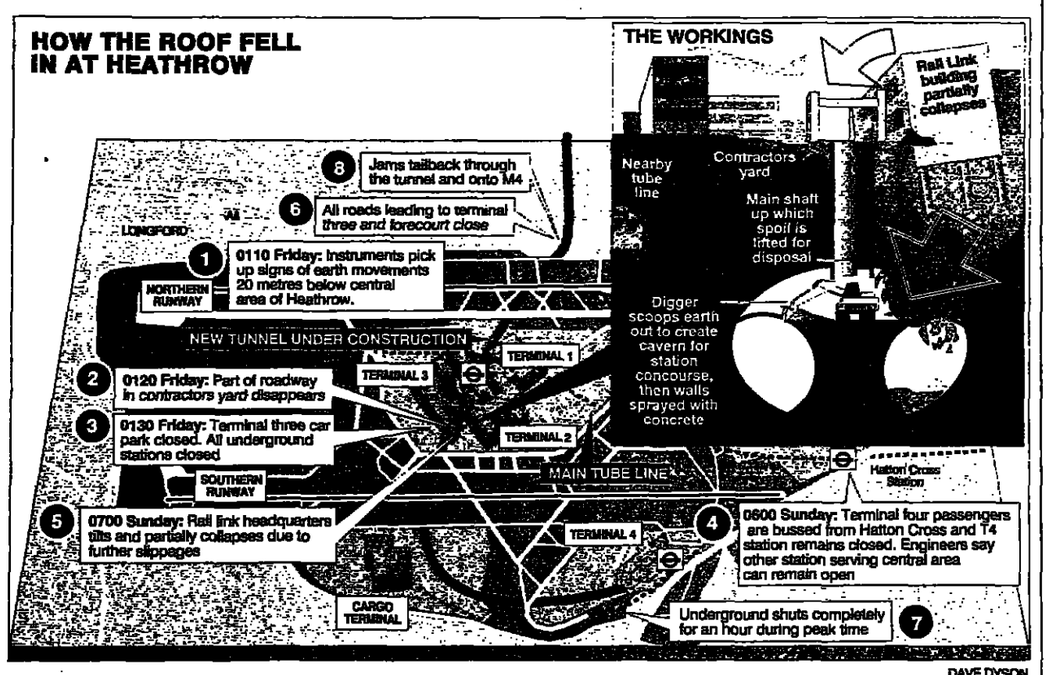
Michael Meacher, Labour's transport spokesman, plans to raise the issue in the Commons today. He said: "I am concerned that the tunnelling method used at Heathrow was devised for rock conditions. Whether it should be used on clay is questionable and may have caused the collapse."

Safety experts ordered the closure of roads and two car parks yesterday near Terminal three. Underground trains were ordered not to stop at Terminal four in case their vibrations caused further problems.

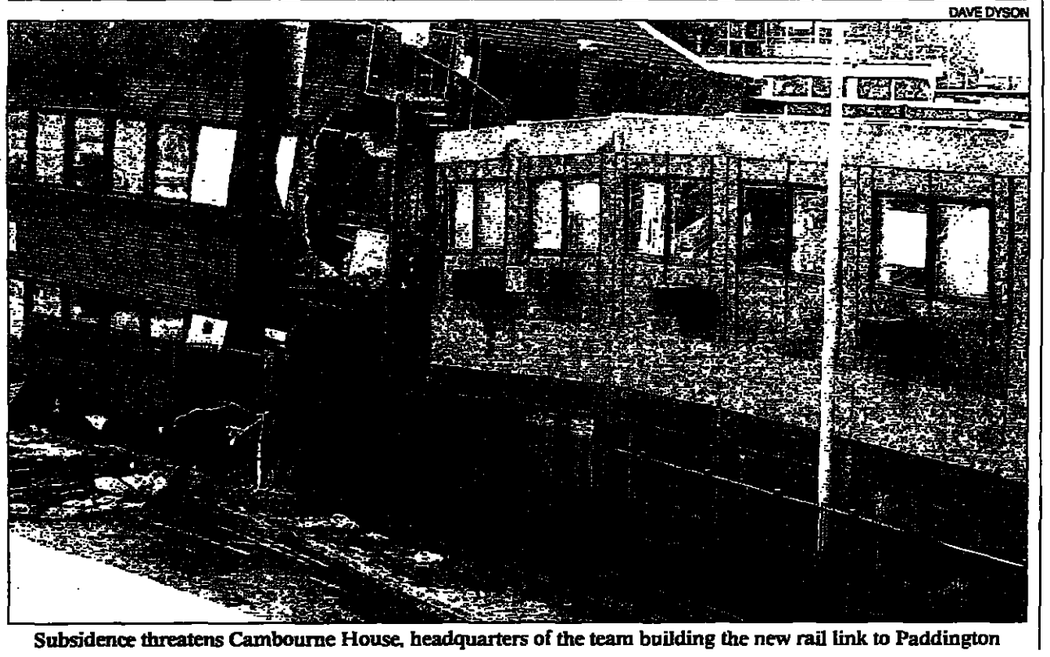
Sir John Egan, the BAA chairman, regards the opening of the new rail link — scheduled for 1997 — as crucial to the development and success of Heathrow. Passengers will pay about £9 single or £14 return on the 17-mile journey between Heathow and Paddington which will take 14 minutes.



Sir John: regards the new rail link as crucial



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Subsidence threatens Cambourne House, headquarters of the team building the new rail link to Paddington

NEWS IN BRIEF

Man is charged over PC's stabbing

A man was charged yesterday with the attempted murder of PC Derek Bettany, who was stabbed four times as he clung to his attacker outside an off-licence in Greenwich, southeast London. Colin Crawford, 36, unemployed, of Plumstead, southeast London, will appear before magistrates at Greenwich today. PC Bettany was said last night to be stable and comfortable.

Rave raided

Police were pelted with stones and iron bars as they broke up an illegal rave party at Culham, Oxfordshire, early yesterday. Nine people were arrested. Equipment was seized and a quantity of drugs recovered.

Man wounded

A 32-year-old man was taken to hospital with stab wounds after an incident in which shots were also fired outside an early-morning disco on a barge moored at Battersea, south London. Two men, including the stabbed man, were arrested.

MP to quit

Patrick Thompson, MP for Norwich North, has announced that he will not stand again at the next election. Mr Thompson, 59, won the seat for the Tories in 1983 from David Ennals. He kept it in 1992 by 266 votes.

Off-duty carer

An 81-year-old man in a Cheltenham nursing home has married the 47-year-old care assistant who looks after him. Lionel Gapper decorated his zimmer frame with streamers for his register office wedding to Nadia Cox.

Double killings on street leave friends baffled

BY A STAFF REPORTER

THE two men shot dead in a south London street on Friday have been named as Michael McCormack, 59, and John Ogden, 34, both married with children.

Mr McCormack, of Ewell, Surrey, was a director of the Indexing Company in Balham, a few minutes' walk from where he and Mr Ogden, who was his works manager, were murdered in front of shoppers.

Mr McCormack's business was believed to be doing well at the time of the killings, contrary to financial difficulties reported earlier. One theory detectives were investigating was that the killer was a former disgruntled employee.

Detectives spent all day going through files at the company's premises. A businessman and his son on the same industrial estate described Mr McCormack and Mr Ogden as "very nice men". The man said: "I knew Mr McCormack for about 14 years. He owned the company and used to come around every so often and pop in for a chat. He was very easy going and one of his sons worked for him. His family is devastated. They were very close.

"I can't believe what has happened. A lot of people are saying it was to do with drugs or money but they are not those sort of guys — definitely not. They were very respectable men."

His son, 23, a law student, added: "We don't know of anyone they may have sacked recently. They work mainly in bookbinding and printing and it's all above board. I don't think they'd have been involved in anything illegal. They were very quiet men who never caused anyone any trouble."

The dead men regularly lunched together at a pub opposite the sandwich bar where they were shot dead by their killer, who had been eating a snack and drinking tea before the pair walked by. He walked outside and shot both men at close range before speeding off in in a white Vauxhall Cavalier. The burnt wreck of the car — registration number D88O MYG — was found abandoned in Herne Hill, southeast London, shortly after the killings.

Detectives want to hear from anyone who may have seen the vehicle near where the killings happened in Cavendish Road, Balham, at the time it was abandoned, or before the murders, to contact them on 081-672 9922.

Girls closing gap in landing the top jobs

BY RICHARD DUCE

Career males are becoming an endangered species as women increasingly dominate the graduate market, a survey published today has disclosed. After university men now have to accept that women have as good, if not a better, chance of beating them for a job.

A survey conducted for *The Future is Female*, a BBC *Panorama* programme to be broadcast tonight, shows that some companies such as Shell have tripled the number of women graduates they have recruited during the past ten years and others have more than doubled their intake.

Of ten leading companies that kept detailed records during the past decade, three — ICL, Abbey National and Barclays Bank — now employ more women graduates than men. Sixty-five per cent of ICL's graduate employees are now women compared with 39 per cent ten years ago.

One of the reasons for the shift may be found in a study by the London Institute of Education to be revealed on the programme which shows that schoolgirls are outperforming boys. Further evidence from the Technology Education Unit at London University shows that even in traditionally "male" subjects, such as technology, girls are doing better.

Jane Ageros, head of corporate affairs at Abbey National, said that half of their 600 managers were now women. Ten years ago the figure was barely a dozen. "I think it really is a trend that is unstoppable," she said.

Coopers and Lybrand, the accountancy firm that takes on about 700 graduates each year, has seen a 12 per cent increase in the number of women employed during the past ten years.

Ian Du Pre, the head of recruitment, told Panorama: "Twenty years ago only one in ten new accountants was a women. Now it's nearly half. Clients are increasingly looking for people who can present themselves extremely strongly both on paper and orally.

"Whether it's because women have a head start through the educational process of school or university or the training we add to that base, they are particularly good at proving these attributes — and the clients are very attracted to having women working on their work."

The programme also reveals findings from the first gender breakdown of A-level results by the National Consortium for Examination Results. These show that this year girls achieved better overall success than boys for the first time.

Pamela Sammons, of the London Institute, says a large gap exists between the genders in reading and writing at the age of seven and in maths at the age of 11. However, she says evidence indicates that even at good schools boys are not catching up with girls by the age of 16. "Effective schools seem to jack up everybody, but they don't remove the gender gap. In fact the gap is getting wider."

☐ Panorama's survey findings show women as a proportion of overall graduate intake for 1994 with 1983 or nearest available figures in brackets.

Shell, 24 per cent (8 per cent); British Steel, 23 per cent (10 per cent); Unilver, 46 per cent (18 per cent); Coopers & Lybrand, 42 per cent (31 per cent); National Westminster Bank, 48 per cent (35 per cent); ICL, 65 per cent (39 per cent); Abbey National, 54 per cent (43 per cent); Barclays Bank, 59 per cent (36 per cent); Institute of Chartered Accountants, 37 per cent (26 per cent); Proctor and Gamble, 37 per cent (27 per cent).

Caution urged on keyhole surgery

BY JEREMY LAURANCE, HEALTH CORRESPONDENT

KEYHOLE surgery, hailed as one of the greatest advances in medical care in the past decade, is being introduced too fast and without proper assessment of its benefits, according to a report by government health advisers.

Surgeons are adopting the technique, which involves operating through a tiny incision in the body using a miniature television camera and special instruments, because they believe it causes less pain, fewer complications and a quicker recovery.

But a Department of Health briefing paper says that in most cases there is no evidence that the technique is better than conventional surgery. The paper, which is being circulated to all regional health authorities, says "increased surgical errors" resulting in damaged patients and deaths follow the introduction of new techniques and training is essential.

"There is a danger that unless the introduction of minimal access [keyhole] techniques is strictly controlled these approaches will become part of routine clinical practice before they have been fully assessed," the paper says.

Professor Michael Peckham, director of research and development at the Health Department, said: "Keyhole surgery is a major innovation but it has developed extremely rapidly. We want to ensure its valuable contribution is not compromised by passing fashions."

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Social Justice Commission: Labour's long-awaited review contains hurdles for new-look leadership

Blair to pick and choose policy from welfare blueprint

BY JILL SHERMAN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

TONY BLAIR will try today to distance Labour from expensive pledges contained in the long-awaited report by the Social Justice Commission which outlines sweeping reforms of the welfare state.

The Labour leader will welcome the thrust of the report, published today, but he will stress that it is not a Labour manifesto and the party will pick and choose which parts of the blueprint it intends to adopt.

The report is the result of two-years' work by an independent commission set up by John Smith to "think the unthinkable" about one of the most controversial areas of government spending. It outlines a 10-15 year programme of national renewal aimed at giving people a "hand-up rather than a hand-out".

While Sir Gordon Borrie, the commission chairman, will make clear that the changes are self financing in the longer term, Mr Blair is expected to maintain the Labour line on tax and spending and will not back new resource commitments.

The commission has proposed taxing child benefit for those on high income, giving poorer pensioners a minimum income through state top-ups, paying employers to take on the long-term jobless and setting up a citizens' service of volunteers.

It has also backed a national minimum wage without setting a precise figure. However, it has made clear that the £4.05 an hour figure, half the adult median wage, suggested by some trade unions is too high. It cites a report showing that no job losses result if the level is at £3.50 an hour.

One of the most contentious recommendations is to tax child benefit for wealthier groups. Those in favour of the scheme will argue that child benefit will remain universal, as it will still be paid to all. However critics, including those at the left of his party, will point out that the savings are not worth the administrative problems and political flack of taxing the benefit.

Mr Blair is said personally to favour the scheme, but he is thought to be less enthusiastic about some commission ideas on getting off benefit and into work.

Gordon Brown, the shadow Chancellor, is working on his own proposals which he is expected to reveal before the Budget. Sources close to Mr Blair said yesterday that while the Labour leadership supported the idea of getting more people off benefit and into jobs he did not back all the commission's schemes.

One proposal is to set up a jobs, education and training programme for the long-term jobless, including those such as single mothers who do not appear on the unemployment register.

The commission has adapted an Australian scheme, called JET, and has proposed that employers should be given financial aid to take on the jobless. They would either be given cash — up to 50 per cent of unemployment benefit — for each employee, or be exempt from paying national insurance contributions. Other schemes to remove poverty traps which stop people taking on work include allowing families to continue receiving income support after they find work, instead of waiting for Family Credit to come through a month later.



John Smith: wanted to "think the unthinkable"

The report also suggests that the unemployed still be allowed to claim free school meals for their children for up to 12 months after they have found work.

The commission has also backed the idea of a Citizens' Service for youth volunteers. Under the scheme, the young and the unemployed would be paid about £10 above the level of unemployment benefit if they undertake community work. However, commission sources insisted this would not be compulsory or related in anyway to workfare.

Sir Gordon, launching the report in London today, will say: "This is not a tax and spending strategy, squeezing a bit more money from the tax system to squeeze more into the benefit system. " He will argue that money can be saved by moving people off welfare into work.

Mr Blair will tell the same conference that he supports a radical shake up of the welfare state and welcomes the commission's contribution. He will then spell out where he supports the report and where he has reservations — namely on the back to work schemes.

Mr Blair will argue that the dividing line between Labour and the Tories is not between spending too much or too little but that the Labour Party will offer the opportunity to get off benefit while the Tories doubled welfare dependency by failing to provide that opportunity.

Commenting on today's announcement by Michael Portillo, the Employment Secretary, that the Government intends to extend workfare schemes, he will say: "The Tories plan is to move people from one benefit to another. Our plan is to move people off benefit into work."



JOSEPH MCKENZIE

One in three children in Britain grows up in poverty but Labour says education and retraining would get people off welfare and into work

Radical solutions needed for a society disillusioned by poverty and crime

*Labour's most significant statement of welfare reform is launched today. **Bernard Williams** describes how the Social Justice Commission has defined the so-called intelligent welfare state*

The Commission on Social Justice took its task to be that of rethinking the policies and institutions that promote and express social justice in Britain. I believe that we have done so. It was a wide-ranging task: our report discusses the institutions that come to mind first when one thinks about social justice — the social security and taxation systems — but it deals as much or more with education, job creation and the state of the cities.

Many of the concerns can be expressed straightforwardly in figures. One in three children grows up in poverty; one in three men of working age is not working; one in seven 21-year-olds has trouble with reading and more than a million pensioners live on income support.

But beyond these alarming facts there is a less definite disquiet and depression. Many people who have worked hard and made themselves and their families better off are insecure about the future for themselves and their children, anxious about their jobs, scared about crime — now the nation's fourth largest industry — worried about old age and disillusioned with politics.

Our report considers what needs to be done and offers a picture of how it may be done. This practical approach represents the only useful way of rethinking social justice. As a philosopher, I might be expected to think that the "first principles" had to be philosophical principles. Certainly anyone thinking about these things needs a guiding conception of what social justice is. We set out four principles we take to express the central conception of social justice.

First is the belief that the foundation of a free society is the equal worth of all citizens, expressed in the first instance in political and civil liberties. Second that everyone is entitled, as a right of citizenship, to be able to meet their basic needs of income, shelter and other necessities. However, the ideal of equal citizenship demands more: so far as possible, equal opportunities and chances in life. Last, while not all inequalities are unjust, there are unjust inequalities and they should be reduced and, where possible eliminated.

These abstract expressions of what social justice requires may seem incontestable, but this is no bad thing. People in this country do share, to a considerable extent, very general ideas of social justice.

This does not mean, however, that the policies we recommend to implement these principles are bland or fail to go far enough. The point of our report is that only radical and far-reaching policies have any hope of giving effect to the idea of social justice.

In part, this has always been so. Many years ago, in *The Future of Socialism*, Tony Crosland emphatically made the point that equality of opportunity, so far from being an anodyne substitute for real equality, would be a dramatic instrument of change if people took it seriously. It is this spirit that underlines, for instance, our proposals for education, which include a funding system to allow people to take up educational opportunities at different points in their lives.

Beyond this, however, the idea of social justice needs new expression today because Britain's situation is entirely new. In some part, it shares this with other countries; in some part, as we all know, its problems are its own. Our commission was set up in 1992, just 50 years after the Beveridge Report which laid the foundations of the welfare state. The differences between Britain's situation then and now are what really demand reconsideration from first principles. We have summarised them in terms of three revolutions.

The economic revolution lies in the emergence of a global economy and the fact that macro-economic power is shared at the European level rather than held by individual nations. Competition with other economies depends on skill, and the notion of a job for life has largely disappeared. Investment in education, and the intelligent regulation of the economy and labour market that social justice demands, coincide therefore with the barest demands of economic survival.

Second, there is a social revolution which begins with the revolution in women's work. Beveridge's policies were based on the idea of the woman in the home which bears little relation to reality.

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The post-war welfare state provided insurance against the reasonably predictable life-cycle risks of the industrial worker and his family — ill health, unemployment and old age. But risks are changing and an "intelligent welfare state" is needed to enable both men and women to negotiate almost constant change within workplaces and families.

Last, there is a political revolution which involves not only the reduction of the power of the nation state in relation to other institutions, but also a demand for the devolution of power within the state. People want more say in what affects them. This, once more, means that policies to increase social justice express not merely an ideal but an immediate need. It also affects the forms that those policies must take. For far too long, aspirations to social justice were linked to managerial conceptions of society under which welfare was supposedly directed to the needy by high-minded bureaucrats manipulating society's controls. That, as a total conception, is both a failure and an insult, and in our recommendations we have left it behind.

Instead, we recognise that social capital — the strength and self-reliance of local families, neighbourhoods and institutions — is an economic good. Communities do not become strong because they are rich; they become rich because they are strong.

Throughout our work the commission met over and over again the truth that a vision of social justice does not conflict with economic success. It is an ideal in its own right, of course, but the economic success of this country, and even its economic survival, requires a greater measure of social justice. Social benefits have to be paid for, and the economy will not sustain limitless transfers from a diminishing section of society to an increasing class of the destitute. Squalor and crime carry enormous costs to us all; talent and potential are lost in unemployment and educational failure.

The interdependence of social justice and economic success is obvious to anyone who has recognised the discouragement and anger that seep through our society, and which make people feel uneasy even if they themselves are successful.

Whatever their personal prospects, people fear for their own and their children's futures in such a society. They do not really want to live their lives in a brightly lit and heavily guarded tent, surrounded by a wasteland of bitterness and disappointment.

Social Justice — Strategies for National Renewal, the final report of the Commission on Social Justice (Vintage, £6.99).

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Prescott aims for Hollywood votes

BY ALICE THOMSON
POLITICAL REPORTER

THE Labour Party wants to set up branches across the world from Hollywood to Australia in an attempt to woo more members.

John Prescott is determined that celebrity expatriates such as Helen Mirren, Joanne Whalley-Kilmer and David Hockney, all working in California at the moment, as well as overseas aid workers and any likely Labour sympathisers living abroad join the Labour Party and record a postal vote at the next general election.

The move is part of Mr Prescott's active recruitment drive, which has attracted 8,000 new members since last month's party conference.

Labour's deputy leader has calculated that there are up to 350,000 expatriates who could be persuaded to vote Labour at the next election, and that they could tip the balance in several marginals.





Mirren and Hockney, Labour backers abroad

The last Thatcher Government was the first to spot the potential in overseas votes. Previously, if you had been out of the country for more than five years, you forfeited the right to vote. Four years ago Margaret Thatcher extended the grace period to 20 years.

Conservatives Abroad is firmly established in Hong Kong, Canada, America, Monte Carlo, New Zealand, South Africa and most of Europe, but Labour only has half the number of offices abroad.

Hollywood has been targeted first by Labour because it is considered such fertile hunting ground. David Puttnam, producer of *Midnight Express*, *Chariots of Fire* and *The Killing Fields*, will address an inaugural meeting of the branch and support a series of recruitment and fund-raising events in Los Angeles next year.

Mr Puttnam has told Labour that Hollywood's British luvvies are as enamoured by the new-look Labour Party under Tony Blair as their American colleagues were by President Clinton.

Mr Prescott said: "We are very aware that we lost as many as 17 constituencies due to the Tory overseas vote, so now we are going to play them at their own game."



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Legal aid waste and abuse must end, say barristers

BY FRANCES GIBB, LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

TOUGH measures to eliminate costly waste in legal aid and to stop the abuse of the system by people who lie about their assets are proposed by the Bar Council today.

Senior barristers say that recent high-profile cases in which apparently wealthy individuals have won legal aid, such as Asil Nadir and Jawad Hashim, are only some of many. Peter Birts, QC, chairman of the Bar's legal aid and fees committee, said: "We believe that millions of pounds are being wasted by inadequate clawing back of contributions towards legal aid granted to wealthy crooks. There are hundreds of people who lie to get legal aid, put in a form and sign it, and say they have got no assets when they have a house or a bank account — and why should everyone else lose out if they are crooks?"

In a package of proposals to the Lord Chancellor, the Bar says that anyone found to have been deceptive when applying for criminal legal aid should have all undisclosed assets valued at more than £500 turned over to the Legal Aid Board. The board would then dock the value of the legal aid granted, with interest and costs, and return the balance. At the same time, judges should be able to disclose the details of a defendant's legal aid application to the prosecution.

Mr Birts said: "You get defendants going into the witness box arguing they had not motive to be fraudulent as they are not broke. Then you have a completely inconsistent legal aid application, which shows no assets have been declared." The proposal, which would enable the prosecution to cross-examine a defendant about such inconsistencies, would be another "arm in the armoury of the prosecution", he said.

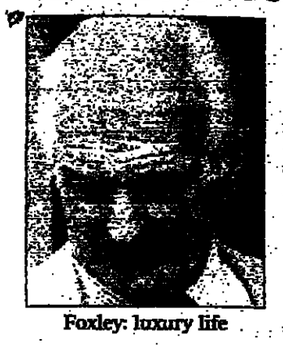
The suggestipons come amid growing concern over legal aid waste. Stephen Byers, Labour MP for Wallsend, and Lord Cocks of Hartcliffe are both pressing the Government over the granting of legal aid in such cases. The Lord Chancellor is also examining the files and intends to take action.

The Bar today puts forward two other measures aimed at ensuring legal aid goes on those who deserve it. The first, coming into force soon, will encourage barristers to give the Legal Aid Board their views on the likely prospects of a success of a case.

The second is aimed at tackling "double manning", in which the legal aid fund pays for a QC and a junior in cases that could be done by a barrister acting alone.

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Court cases that caused concern



Foxley: luxury life

AMONG recent cases that aroused criticism are that of:
Gordon Foxley, the former civil servant who was granted legal aid despite having a £500,000 house, luxury cars and weekend cottages worth a total of £2 million;
Asil Nadir, the former chairman of the collapsed Polly Peck empire, who ran up £1 million of legal aid before fleeing to Cyprus, where he is said to have business interests worth £25 million;
Darius Guppy, who was convicted on three charges of fraud, received legal aid despite allegedly having £4 million in Swiss bank accounts;
Sandra Brown, convicted as a brothel keeper in 1992, who was awarded legal aid despite earning about £135,000 a year;
Jawad Hashim, former aide to Saddam Hussein and former president of the Arab Monetary Fund, who is thought to have run up about £2 million of legal aid despite living in a villa-style mansion in Buckinghamshire.



ROBIN MAYES

Christine Akehurst, president of the toastmasters' association, helps Bram Nicholson

Woman appointed top toastmaster

RAISE your glasses. The National Association of Toastmasters has appointed its first woman president (Andrew Pierce writes). Christine Akehurst was the first woman to be admitted to any body of toastmasters in the history of the centuries-old profession. A teacher of speech and drama, and a member of Equity, she has worked as a toastmaster for ten years. Having risen through the ranks, Mrs Akehurst was made president at the association's annual meeting yesterday in London. The association now has three women out of a membership of 64. A spokesman for the association said yesterday: "It is a real blow for women."

Apology as bishop takes up new post

BY RUTH GLEDHILL
RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

THE new Bishop of Durham, the Right Rev Michael Turnbull, took up his episcopal duties yesterday after an enthronement in which he apologised for his past.

Bishop Turnbull preached yesterday at Ingleton parish church near Darlington in the south of his diocese. Later this week he will chair his first staff meeting.

He will spend the next few months concentrating on the financial difficulties facing the diocese and issues of clergy deployment. He will also chair the Turnbull Commission on the structure of the Church of England.

The church hierarchy urged Bishop Turnbull to remain in his post after it emerged that he had been convicted of a gross indecency offence 26 years ago. Bishop Turnbull's public apology at his enthronement is thought to have assuaged many of his critics.

But Christian gay rights campaigners called for a review of all cases where clergy had been caught committing acts of gross indecency and lost their jobs as a result.

KEENE on CHESS

BY RAYMOND KEENE
CHESS CORRESPONDENT

Prodigy performs

LUKE McShane, Britain's 10-year-old chess prodigy, this week becomes the youngest Briton to compete in an all-play-all internationally recognised title tournament.

The Richmond Chess Initiative, organised by grandmaster Daniel King and designed to give opportunities for young British players, runs this week at the Star & Garter Home, Richmond.

Luke faces a seasoned international field which includes the international master Klaus Berg from Denmark and international master Demetrios Agnos from London.

Menchik memorial

VERA Menchik, the first woman world chess champion, dominated female chess before the Second World War and competed successfully against male masters and grandmasters, once beating Max Euwe, the world champion from 1935-37. She was killed in Clapham in 1944 in a V1 rocket attack.

This week an international chess competition in Maidstone will feature Harriet Hunt, Britain's top girl player from Oxford, together with grandmaster Bogdan Lalic and his wife Susan. Here is one of Vera Menchik's most brilliant wins.

White: Baratz

Black: Menchik

Hastings 1927

Queen's Fianchetto

1	b3	d5
2	Bb2	Nf6
3	e3	g6
4	Nf3	Bg7
5	h3	0-0
6	g4	c5
7	Bg2	Nc6
8	d3	Bd7
9	Nbd2	Qc7
10	Nf1	Rfd8
11	Ng3	Nxg4
12	hxg4	Bxb2
13	Rb1	Bc3+
14	Nd2	Ne5
15	Bf3	Qa5
16	Ngf1	Qxa2
17	Be2	Qa5
18	f4	Nc6
19	Kf2	Qc7
20	Bf3	d4
21	Ne4	dxe3+
22	Kg3	Bg7
23	Nxe3	Be8
24	Qf1	h6
25	c3	Qd4+
26	Kf2	Ne5

White resigns

Diagram of final position



Guernsey

The Guernsey international ended in a three-way tie between grandmaster Julian Hodgson of London, Bogdan Lalic of Brighton and international master James Howell of Harrogate.

Wrexham Maelor

After five rounds of the Owens Corning international grandmaster tournament, the first held in Wales, grandmaster Nigel Davies is in the sole lead with 4.5 points from 5.

Correction

In the game given on Saturday, grandmaster Julian Hodgson played with white pieces and the winner, grandmaster Bogdan Lalic, played black.

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THE TIMES BRIDGE

Dealer South **Love all**

	♠102 ♥J32 ♦AKQ1054 ♣83	
♠A653 ♥K1095 ♦93 ♣QJ7		♠QJ84 ♥54 ♦76 ♣AS654
	♠K97 ♥AQ87 ♦J82 ♣K102	

S	W	N	E
1NT	Pass	3NT	All pass

Opening lead ♥10

On today's hand, South is lucky to receive the lead of the ten of hearts against his 3NT contract. How should he proceed?

Best is to cover with dummy's jack of hearts. If East plays the king, it is a simple matter to win with the ace, cross to a diamond and play another heart to the eight.

If the jack of hearts holds the first trick, it may appear to be a guess as to which black suit to play on for the ninth trick. However, South has an extra chance: he can play off two top diamonds first. If West has fewer than three diamonds, South can follow with a heart to the eight, end-playing West in three suits.

If West has three or more diamonds the declarer will have to guess a black suit to play from dummy at trick four. Naturally he will avoid the trap of playing off the diamonds first — that would squeeze the South hand, and on the actual lay-out even if he guesses to play clubs after taking the diamonds, by then the defence would be able to win the ace of clubs and take four spade tricks.

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EVERY BUSINESS IMPACTS UPON THE ENVIRONMENT. LESSENING OUR IMPACT BECAME COMPANY POLICY OVER 4 YEARS AGO.

How are we doing?

"People, business and retailers all have an impact upon the environment – at B&Q we are committed to reducing that impact".

This is what we said in our 4 page newspaper advertisement last August. We explained what we felt were the key environmental issues affecting our business and what actions we were undertaking to address them.

Today, we update you on the progress we've made.

The first step: Assess the damage.

The foundation stone of B&Q's policy was the acceptance in 1990 by the Board that every single one of the 40,000 plus products we sell has in some degree a damaging impact on the environment and, that offering a simple range of 'green' products with 'business as usual' for the rest *is not* the right approach.

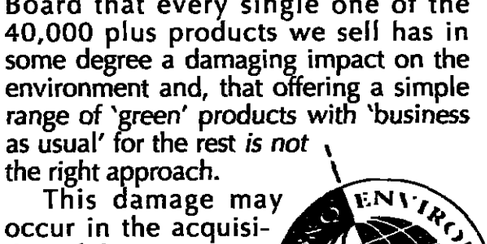
This damage may occur in the acquisition of the raw materials, or the manufacture of a product, its use or even its disposal. In other words we have to consider the product life cycle from cradle to grave. Take this typical product that we sell... a front door.

LET'S BREAK DOWN A DOOR.

Most of the products needed to install a front door may well have contributed to key areas of environmental concern, such as deforestation, global warming and the destruction of scientifically important peat bogs, they may even have exposed factory workers in developing countries to unnecessary hazards.

Here are some of the actions that we have taken to make ourselves more aware of what the issues are and to bring into action systems to reduce that impact.

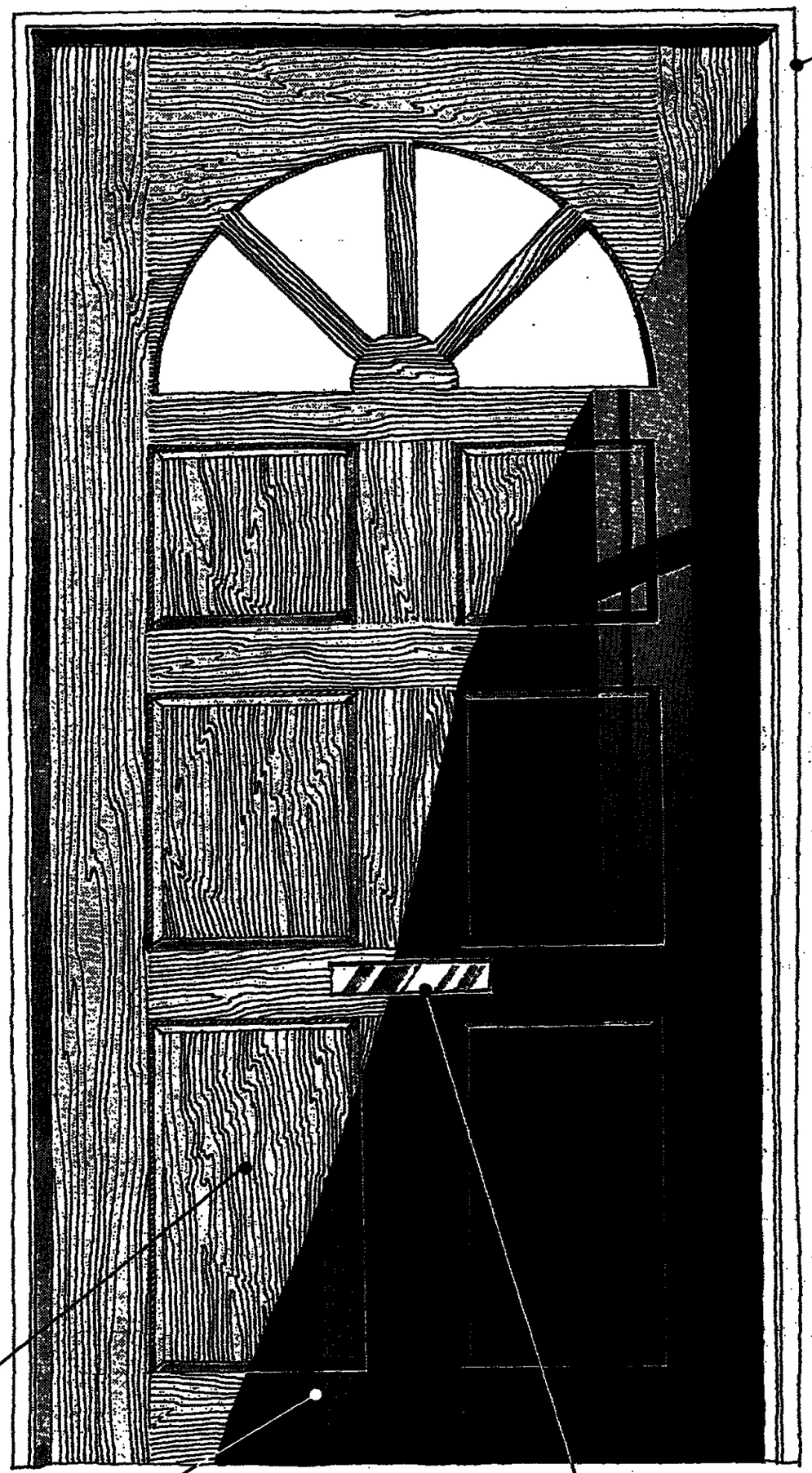
Exterior rubberwood doors.



The Chindwell rubberwood exterior door range is one of the first significant ranges of timber-based products to be sold in Europe which is independently certified as coming from well managed forests.

As the name suggests, rubberwood comes from rubber trees. When the tree is about 30 years old it cannot produce sufficient rubber latex to be economic. In the past the old trees were burnt, but now, new technology has enabled this timber to be used to make valuable products.

HOW GREEN IS YOUR FRONT DOOR?



Water based and low solvent paints.

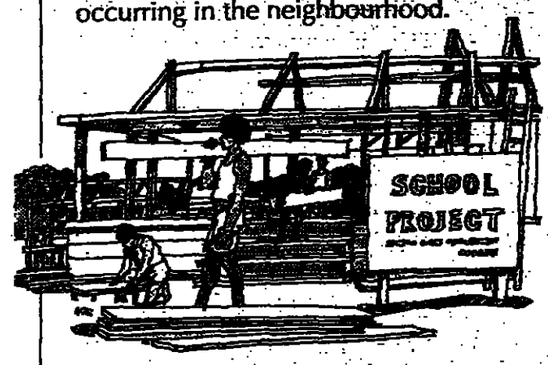
Solvents in paint contribute to atmospheric pollution and global warming. B&Q's answer was to develop the **B&Q Premier** range. B&Q Premier paint is water based and very low in solvents. And all B&Q paint and woodcare products are free of PCP, Lindane and lead additives.

B&Q Sovereign brassware range.

All the brassware carrying the Sovereign label comes from a factory in India. When we first started trading with this supplier, working conditions were cramped and the workers were not adequately protected from dangerous machinery. By working together we have dramatically improved their working conditions.

Mouldings from a community based forestry project in Papua New Guinea.

For the past three years B&Q have assisted the Bainings people of Papua New Guinea to set up their own small scale logging company. This provides them with an alternative to the foreign owned destructive logging operations occurring in the neighbourhood.



The project run by the Bainings people has shown that indigenous communities can manage their own resources economically. Revenue is put back into the community in projects such as schooling.

However, for us this is not just charity, since part of our red hardwood mouldings range, supplied by Masons, comes from this project.

The project has also been involved in our trial independent certification to ensure that the forest is well managed.

Introducing peat free products.

In the past few years environmentalists have been particularly concerned about the extraction of peat from **SSSIs**, Sites of Special Scientific Interest. In 1991, B&Q became the first retailer to stop buying peat from SSSIs and consequently, all the peat we sell is guaranteed not to come from such areas.

At the same time our Horticultural Buyer, Paul Roebuck, together with our suppliers, developed a complete range of high quality alternatives to peat.

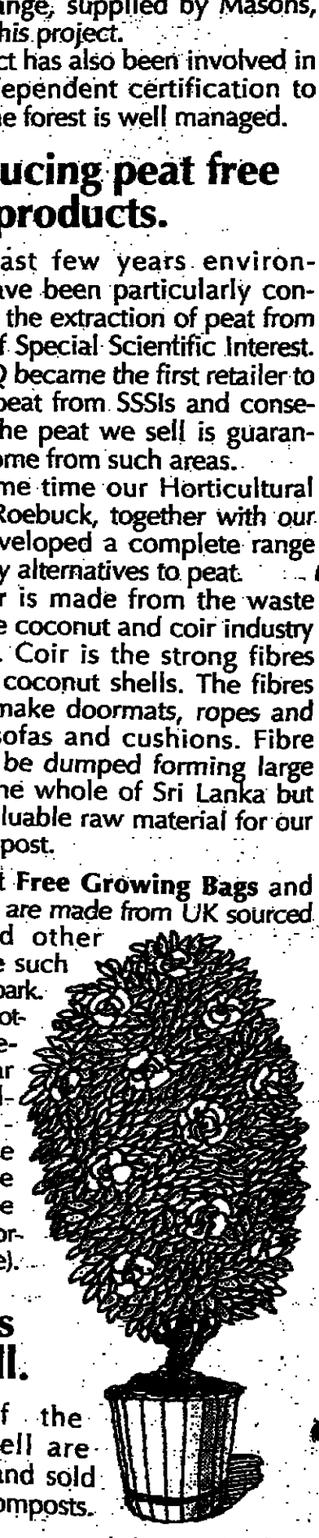
B&Q Coir is made from the waste product of the coconut and coir industry in Sri Lanka. Coir is the strong fibres which cover coconut shells. The fibres are used to make doormats, ropes and stuffing for sofas and cushions. Fibre dust used to be dumped forming large hills across the whole of Sri Lanka but now it is a valuable raw material for our peat free compost.

B&Q Peat Free Growing Bags and ***New Horizon*** are made from UK sourced sawdust and other organic waste such as composted bark.

Our most notable achievement this year has been selling the entire peat free range at the same price as the peat range (normal retail price).

Plants as well.

Many of the plants we sell are now grown and sold in peat free composts.



problems we solve worth solving.

TIMBER - MAJOR PROGRESS BUT STILL A LONG WAY TO GO.

On September 3rd 1991 B&Q adopted a target, that by the end of 1995 all our timber would come from well managed sources.

In total we sell about 250,000 cubic metres of timber based products every year. This includes products such as skirting boards, plywoods and doors as well as cut lengths of timber. But we've made a commitment that by the end of 1995, **all** of our timber supplies, including kitchen cabinets, door knobs, fencing, tool handles and even wallpaper, should only come from managed sources.

We believe that the 1995 target is achievable.

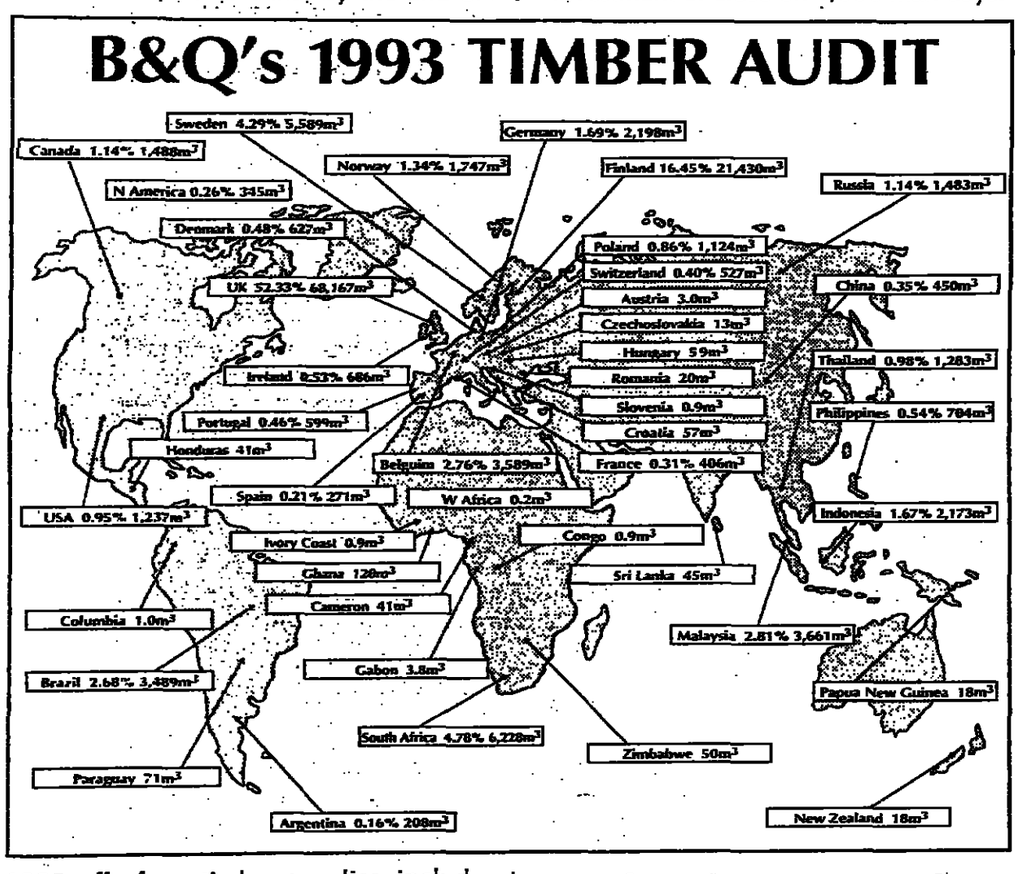
This is how we are going to achieve it:

Tracing supply to its origin:

The first action we had to undertake was to trace our sources of supply right down to the forest region. We have between 90 and 100 suppliers of timber based products at any one time. Back in 1992 around 90% were unable or unwilling to tell us where their timber came from. We therefore set ourselves a target that by the end of 1993 we would not buy any timber from an unknown source.

We achieved that target.

The target was achieved by extensive questionnaires and visits by our environmental team. Altogether, implementation of this target has involved the investment of close on 1,000 man days.



What do we mean by well managed?

Three things.

The environment is protected.
The people are protected.
The yield is sustainable.

To prove this is the case, we believe in independent certification of timber products. This process has its critics – some believe it will be too expensive, others that it's not even possible. Rather than argue about theory we decided to undertake trials. Both the Chindwell doors and mouldings from Papua New Guinea have been certified. This proves it is possible and cost effective.

Why not simply boycott tropical timber?

It's the tropical rainforests that have captured the environmental headlines, so, surely, an easy answer is to simply boycott these areas of timber production. But, the fact is that some tropical forests are actually well managed. In addition boycotting tropical timber would not address the underlying issues in the tropics, such as inappropriate land use and the need for development to fight poverty and debt.

That's why,

B&Q's policy applies to all timber – not just tropical timber.

WHAT ABOUT ALL THE OTHER PRODUCTS WE SELL?

All our suppliers must get involved.

For the past three years it's been company policy that *all* our suppliers have their own environmental policy and action plan. This means they must know what damage their products are doing and have a meaningful action plan to reduce that impact.

Here is an idea of the amount of work we have undertaken since the launch of our 'supplier environmental audit'.

1250 questionnaires have been processed

175 suppliers have been visited by environmental experts

18 seminars have been held (ranging from 15 to 200 delegates at each seminar)

Each supplier has been given a personalised report outlining what their environmental strengths and weaknesses are with an appropriate grading from A to F. All suppliers who were an F grade had to be at least a C before 30th June. We achieved the target. By 30th November all suppliers which are E or D should be at least C grade. Suppliers not committed to our policies will be delisted.

Paint is leading the way.

Below is a table for the different products. The number of suppliers in each sector varies from 3 to over 70. This was the situation at the end of SEPTEMBER, 1994.

League table.

Paint	B	Shelving/Housewares/ Security	C -
Building Materials	C	Wallcoverings	C -
Horticultural	C	Plumbing	C -
Speciality Paint/ Decorative Sundries	C	Electrical	D+
Lighting	C	Hand Tools/Ladders/ Steps	D+
Flooring	C	Gardening	D+
Bathrooms/ Bathroom Accessories	C	Kitchens	D+
Kitchens/Bedrooms	C	Power Tools & Accessories	D+
Ceramic Tiles	C	Timber	D
Hardware	C -	Conservatories	D
		Leisure Furniture	D-

Does this mean that all our products are green? No, not by a long shot, but what it does mean is that all suppliers to B&Q are now beginning to recognise their environmental responsibilities and are beginning to make the relevant changes to their operations and products.

What about suppliers in the developing nations?

In April 1993 we published our own policy on trading with developing countries and since then we have been working on introducing methods of auditing and advising our suppliers on this issue. We buy products from over 60 different countries and it can be possible for one supplier to have over one hundred suppliers themselves. So we have a very long way to go.

What are our stores doing?

Our waste. We produce about 15,000 tonnes of waste a year of which half is cardboard. Just over 50% of our cardboard is recycled and we have just completed a thorough study to see how we can increase this amount. Many stores recycle stationery and drinking cups and some give waste materials to local schools and charities who find a use for them.

We now give awards to the stores which have achieved the most. Scarborough came top in the latest review.

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Serb leaders agree to lift blockade on fuel for UN troops

FROM JOEL BRAND IN SARAJEVO

FUEL convoys are due to begin rolling this morning to United Nations troops cut off for three weeks by a Bosnian Serb ultimatum.

Yasushi Akashi, the UN's senior envoy in the region, and Lieutenant-General Sir Michael Rose, commander of the peace-keeping forces in Bosnia, met Bosnian government and rebel Serb leaders at the weekend and emerged with agreements from both sides.

A low-level follow-up meeting yesterday did not go as well as Saturday's high level negotiations, Reuters quoted government sources as saying. Though the difficulty of yesterday's meeting bodes ill for at least one of the agreements reached on Saturday, it was still too early to shake the UN optimism.

In what was considered a successful weekend, the UN officials extracted a Serb promise to allow fuel resupply for peacekeepers in besieged towns and a government pledge to pull troops out of the demilitarised zone southwest of Sarajevo.

However, coming five weeks after the UN called in Nato warplanes to bomb a Serb tank violating the heavy weapons exclusion zone around Sarajevo, the fact that such transitory and relatively meaningless concessions are considered successes is worrying many UN officials.

"This is not a victory," said a well-placed UN official privy to the weekend negotiations. "The Serbs have given us a few fuel convoys, a few scraps. We have done nothing to change the Serbs' overall objectives. In two weeks, maybe a week, we will be back."

Observers say that the UN has been so browbeaten by the Serbs, who have the strategic upper hand over the lightly armed peacekeepers, that the 22,000-strong operation is caught in a downward spiral from which there is no salvation short of a Nato attack.

After the first use of Nato air power, last April, the Serbs took a few hostages as "human shields" but were generally co-operative, fearful of provoking more raids.

As more Nato strikes have taken place, each extremely limited in scope and ferocity, the Serbs have gained confidence. Western diplomats use the analogy that the limited raids have immunised the rebels to the threat of air power.

UN officials believe the "blue helmets" are in an impossible position being both peacemakers and warmakers, mediators an enforcers. This, they say, makes the UN operation ineffective in either role, unable to maintain good relations with the Serbs and unable to really punish them.

German voting system challenged

Bonn: Opposition politicians and analysts said yesterday that they would challenge a quirk in Germany's electoral law that gave Helmut Kohl, the Chancellor, a thin ten-seat majority in last week's general election. Hans Meyer, a specialist in constitutional law, said he would lodge a complaint with parliament and if necessary, take it to the Constitutional Court in Karlsruhe.

Under the two-vote system one ballot is for a specific candidate and one for a party. Election officials can award "overhang seats" to parties which perform well in the first vote but get a lower percentage of the second vote. Herr Meyer said the system was unfair to small parties.

The opposition Social Democrats voiced legal doubts about the rules and said they should be studied. *(Reuter)*



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Basques choose route to peace

FROM EDWARD OWEN IN BILBAO

IN the fifth regional elections in the Basque region since democracy was restored to Spain, 1.7 million voters had a chance yesterday to show if they support proposals for an Irish-style peace process.

"In Ireland they have renounced the armed struggle and we hope to convince them here about this reality," said Jose Antonio Ardanza, 53, president of the Basque region since 1985 and a member of the centre-right Basque Nationalist Party.

"While Eta exists the Basque nation and nationalism is divided," said the president, who optimistically also champions self-determination, but on the slow democratic path. Polls predicted that he would be re-elected to head the existing coalition with the Basque socialists.

But the key to any peace process in Spain depended on the vote for the political wing of Eta, Herri Batasuna. A predicted drop in its vote will widen the growing split within the party between the doves and the hawks.

The radicals closed their campaign with a declaration. "Conflicts that before seemed insoluble have been resolved," the Herri Batasuna note said. "It is evident that dialogue between all sides in the conflict is a key element in the development of any peace process."

Grachev faces accusers amid outcry over reporter's murder

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN MOSCOW

GENERAL Pavel Grachev, the Russian Defence Minister, will face renewed calls for his dismissal this week as investigators search for the killers of a young reporter, assassinated while probing corruption in the military's top brass.

After fresh attacks against him at the weekend by newspapers, General Grachev is set to face angry deputies at the Duma, the lower house of parliament, where he is due to testify on Wednesday.

Dmitri Kholodov, 27, a reporter for the *Moskovsky Komsomolets* daily newspaper was killed in his office last week when he opened a booby-trapped briefcase he had been told contained incriminating documents exposing corruption in the Western Army Group, which has a reputation for smuggling and arms sales.

Suspicion that the authorities were connected with the murder intensified when it emerged that the reporter's phone was being bugged and that agents from the Federal Intelligence Service (FSK), the successor to the KGB, had seized all his files.

General Grachev last week instituted libel proceedings against his main accuser, Pavel Gusev, the editor-in-chief of *Moskovski Komsomolets*. "I am not easily frightened," said the former paratrooper, who commanded a battalion in Afghanistan.



Grachev: instituted libel proceedings

However, Mr Gusev and the pro-democrat press have not been cowed. In an open letter to President Yeltsin on Saturday, Mr Gusev wrote on the front page: "Is it not Grachev who betrayed you and his nation in October 1993, when he did not commit the troops to action and refused to render assistance to democracy, which was in a desperate plight? Is it not Grachev, under whose command violence and outrages in the army reached the limit? Is it not Grachev, under whose command corruption is eroding the top army leadership and a mafia network has been created in the Western Army Group? Grachev is an army upstart, a vindictive and narrow-minded person."

President Yeltsin tried to placate both sides by promising a full investigation while defending Mr Grachev's record.



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Thousands die in India cerebral malaria outbreak

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN DELHI

BARELY a week after the plague was officially declared dead in India, cerebral malaria has reportedly killed thousands in the desert region of western Rajasthan and infected almost every village.

Government attempts to fight the outbreak are mired in corruption and chaos, with medicines disappearing into the black market and moneylenders exploiting villagers who have no choice but to pay or risk death.

Official statistics citing 240 dead are dismissed by voluntary organisations as nonsense: the Indian Red Cross puts the figure at 4,000. With the winter approaching the outbreak will soon ease naturally, but a health timebomb awaits the warm weather in March.

Much of the blame almost certainly rests with the Indira Gandhi Canal, an irrigation project that is supposed to make part of the Rajasthan desert bloom. Much of it is still under construction. Sections that are in use have produced waterlogging and pools of stagnant water.

This, plus the heaviest monsoon in 40 years, has provided mosquitos with perfect breeding conditions. DDT, still widely used in India, is being sprayed with abandon in accessible areas of western Rajasthan. But rural districts, which are worst affected, are untreated and suffering from one of the worst mosquito infestations in living memory.

The household tradition of storing monsoon water in underground tanks has given mosquitos ample breeding grounds, and such water cannot be sprayed with DDT because it is used for cooking and drinking. Other anti-mosquito chemicals are generally not available.

Jaisalmer, Barmer, Bikaner and Jodhpur districts are worst affected. The Voluntary Health Association said 70 per cent of malaria cases in the region were of cerebral malaria, which is frequently fatal and not normally common in India. The outbreak is another sign of the chronic and worsening state of public health in rural India due to corruption, underfunding and the concentration of resources in urban centres.



Rao: concerned over lack of medicines

The Voluntary Health Association said it had proof of 1,000 deaths, and suspected more. It said a random examination of 600 blood samples by a group of aid organisations showed that 80 per cent of people carried the malaria parasite, with a "high percentage" showing cerebral malaria.

There are indications that the parasite is resistant to chloroquine. Other anti-malaria drugs are not legally available in India, although there is a black market for more modern medicines. PV Narasimha Rao, the Prime Minister, has expressed "serious concern".

A government action plan to deal with the crisis, chaotic as all such plans are, decrees that chloroquine should be distributed to every infected area. Officially, this is being done. In reality, some doctors are holding back the drugs in a racket with chemists, and many villages have not seen a single tablet nor health worker.

According to one account, villagers must pay up to 3,000 rupees (£61) for a full course of treatment — two years' income for a typical farmer.

Cambodia coup trial angers Thailand

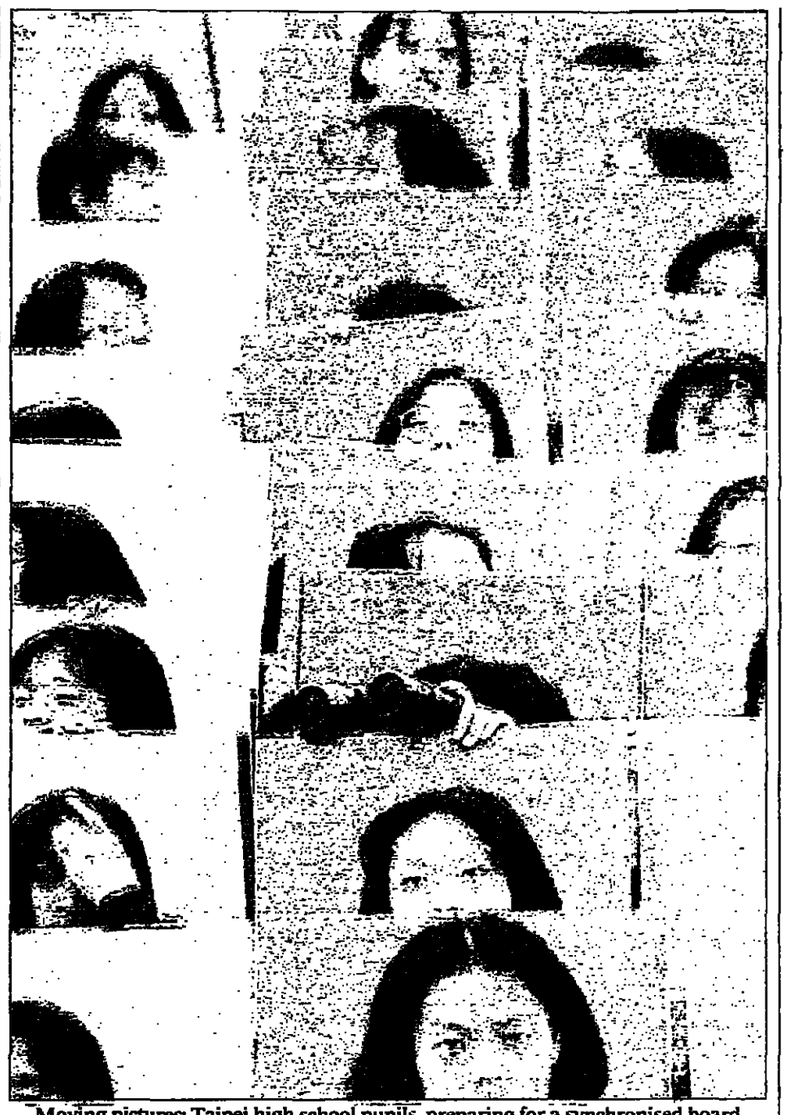
FROM JAMES PRINGLE IN BANGKOK

AN announcement by the Cambodian government that nine Thai citizens would be put on trial this week for suspected involvement in an abortive coup attempt in Phnom Penh last July has increased friction between Cambodia and Thailand.

Thailand's Deputy Prime Minister, General Chavalit Yongchaiyudh, stressed at the weekend the importance of good relations between the two neighbours. The nine, to be tried by military court, were arrested following an amateurish coup attempt when 200 troops and tanks moved on Phnom Penh, where assassins were supposed to strike at the two joint Prime Ministers.

When the coup attempt was crushed a maverick son of Cambodia's King Norodom Sihanouk, Prince Norodom Chakrapong, was flown out of the country and 14 Thais arrested. Five were subsequently freed.

The trial next Thursday comes at a time of growing tension within Cambodia itself, with the sacking last week of the most popular figure in the government, Sam Rainsy, the Finance Minister. Yesterday, Prince Norodom Sirivudh, the Foreign Minister, also announced plans to resign. The two men condemned the formal outlawing of the Khmer Rouge as an obstacle to reconciliation.



Moving pictures: Taipei high school pupils, preparing for a synchronised board display, watching rehearsals prior to the Taiwan Area Games at the weekend

NEWS IN BRIEF

Typhoon batters Manila

Manila: Sixteen crewmen from an oil tanker which broke in two and sank west of the Philippines after being battered by Typhoon Teresa were feared dead yesterday.

Twenty cremmen on board the 38,263-tonne Maltese-registered tanker *Thanassis A* were picked up by rescue ships in the South China Sea.

Teresa wreaked havoc in Manila and across a wide swath of the main island of Luzon, killing nine people, making thousands homeless, toppling trees and power lines and blacking out much of the capital. Damage to crops and property has been estimated at almost £10 million. A second storm, Typhoon Verne, was in the Pacific and heading towards the northern edge of Luzon last night. *(Reuter)*

Arms accord

Bangkok: Thailand agreed to buy arms from Russia and may sign the deal next month, Tass said. In June, Russia signed an agreement to deliver 18 MiG-29 fighters to Malaysia. *(AP)*

Mass eviction

Harare: Riot police and government officials forcibly evicted Ndabaningi Sithole, a Zimbabwe opposition leader, and 1,000 tenants from his farm which the state wants to seize. *(Reuter)*

Korea charges

Seoul: Prosecutors charged five more city officials with negligence in connection with the collapse of a main bridge in the capital last week in which 32 people were killed. *(Reuter)*

Aids scare

Fort Lauderdale, Florida: Bus drivers in Broward County have been issued with rubber gloves after complaining that they are scared of catching Aids from dirty tickets. *(AFP)*

Double winner

Elizabethtown, Pa: Ted Yackers, 34, was told by his doctor that his tests for cancer were negative — then won $6 million (£4 million) in a Pennsylvanisa lottery later the same day. *(AP)*

Party fears rot from within as ailing Deng warns of unrest

FROM JONATHAN MIRSKY IN HONG KONG

China's Communist Party has departed from its practice of targeting foreigners or internal subversives as the country's main enemies and homed in on the enemy within the party itself.

In a weekend front-page editorial, the party newspaper *People's Daily*, quoting Deng Xiaoping, 90, the patriarch whose impending death is frightening the leadership into constant calls for loyalty and discipline, issued a warning: "If disturbance arises in China it will be within the party." Normally the Chinese propaganda machine finds its adversaries outside the party. Immediately after the Tiananmen Square killings in June 1989 Mr Deng suggested that foreign forces were partly to blame for the uprising, and one of the reasons for the current Anglo-Chinese crisis is Peking's belief that Hong Kong is a nest of subversion.

The party machine ceaselessly warns against foreign-inspired "spiritual pollution" and "bourgeois liberalism". Within the country various adversaries are identified as "counter-revolutionary" and are regularly arrested, imprisoned and sometimes shot. Last week the entire dissident leadership in Shanghai was rounded up and imprisoned for three years without trial. China's most famous champion of democracy, Wei Jingsheng, has not been seen since his arrest on April 1.

The party has been wracked by internal strife from its founding in 1920. One of the main figures then, Zhang Shenfu, was expelled so quickly that his role as a founder member was expunged for decades and the official date for the start of the party advanced to 1921.

Mao came to supreme power in the 1930s after other leaders were displaced. At Yanan, Mao's guerrilla headquarters until 1947, the Chairman ordered the execution of hundreds, possibly thousands, of his party critics, accusing them of Trotskyism. From 1949 further purges took place as Mao picked off intellectual critics, many of them party members, and senior old comrades dating back to the Long March of 1935.

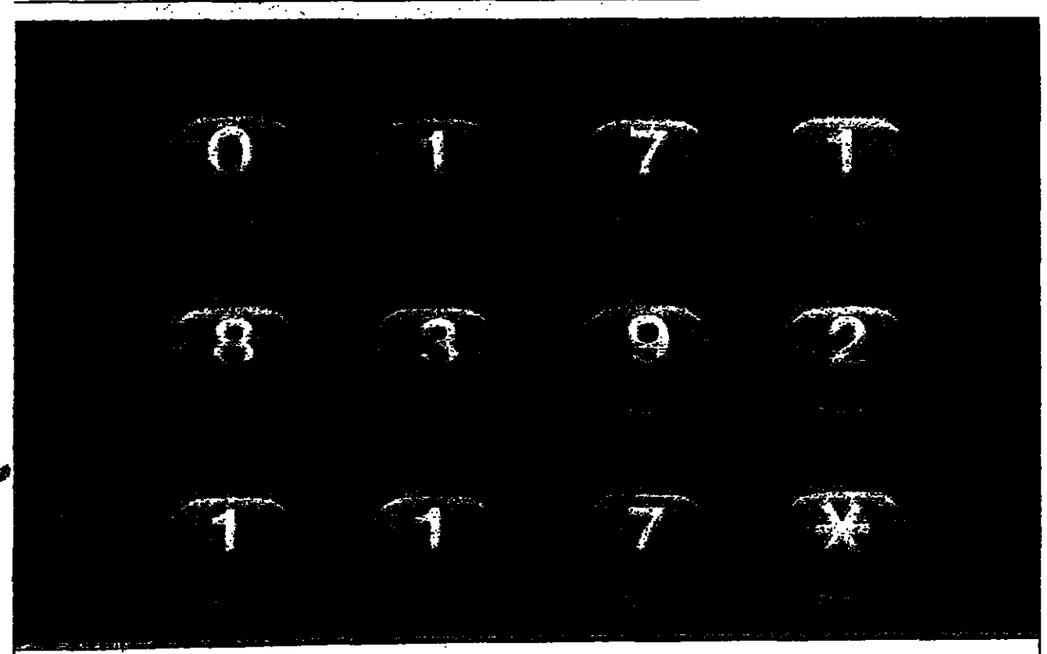
Although less violent, the Deng period has been equally turbulent within the party. Within two years of Mao's death in 1976 Deng had pushed into obscurity Hua Guofeng, whom Mao had designated as his successor. Throughout the 1980s Mr Deng's reforms were sniped at by economic and ideological adversaries, led by Chen Yun, a party grandee equally as old and venerated as Mr Deng. The latter sought their support for the Tiananmen crackdown.

Meanwhile Mr Deng removed from office the two leaders most closely associated with his reforms, Hu Yaobang and Zhao Ziyang, the party secretary-generals, and elevated to supreme office the colourless Jiang Zemin, now President and party boss, and the heavy-handed Li Peng as Prime Minister.

But the party remains split as it awaits Mr Deng's demise. On one side are those who fear its final dissolution, which they blame on the social and economic anarchy unleashed by the reforms. Even now such conservatives are taking advantage of the galloping inflation and rural unrest to impose central economic control.

On the other side is a collection of reformists, some of them advocating a "new authoritarianism", which means continued economic decentralisation with strict central political control.

But there is also a more shadowy group associated with the deposed Zhao Ziyang. If such relative liberals ever took power one of their first acts would be to reverse the verdict of "counter-revolution" on Tiananmen. This reversal would cast into darkness almost the entire current regime, all of whom supported or profited from the 1989 massacre.



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Clinton gambles on high-risk Middle East tour to boost party back home

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT Clinton leaves tomorrow on a four-day, six-nation Middle East tour full of risks that some advisers had warned him not to take.

Anxious to advance the Middle East peace process, he is to become the first President to visit Syria since Richard Nixon in 1974, despite that country's support for terrorism and the danger of him having to travel on to Israel empty-handed. He is leaving America just two weeks before crucial congressional elections in which his party could, according to the latest polls, conceivably lose control of the House, the Senate and the governors' mansions of all America's eight largest states. He is gambling that he can do more good for his party by touting recent foreign policy successes and strutting the world stage than campaigning for its candidates at home.

His trip is also a nightmare for those charged with ensuring his security. He is visiting Israel at the height of a terrorist campaign by the radical Palestinian group Hamas. Nor can Egypt, Jordan, Syria and Kuwait be considered safe.

On Wednesday Mr Clinton will meet President Mubarak of Egypt and Yassir Arafat, the Palestine Liberation Organisation chairman, in Cairo before travelling on to a dusty site straddling the Israeli-Jordanian border to witness the signing — in a Beduin tent — of the Israel-Jordan peace treaty the US helped to broker. He said he wanted to stand "shoulder to shoulder" with the champions of peace when extremists were doing their utmost to destroy the peace process. At the weekend Mr Arafat announced that the PLO would boycott that ceremony because the accord gives Jordan's King Husain a special role as guardian of Muslim holy places in Arab East Jerusalem which the Palestinians want as their future capital.

Later on Wednesday Mr Clinton will address the Jordanian parliament, but the Islamic Action Front, the single biggest party, said they would boycott the event. "Clinton is an enemy of our Arab and Islamic nation in Jordan, Palestine, Iraq, Libya, Sudan and elsewhere," said a spokesman. The Israeli-Jordanian treaty legitimised Zionist occupation of Palestine. His presence at the signing ceremony was like "the perpetrator of the crime attending the funeral of the deceased".

Mr Clinton visits Damascus on Thursday morning, hoping to prod President Assad towards a Syrian-Israel peace treaty. Yossi Beilin, Israel's Deputy Foreign Minister, said yesterday it had to be more than a "courteous tourist visit". He wanted Mr Clinton to extract promises that Syria would enter high-level talks with Israel and crack down on anti-Israeli terrorist groups based there.

On Thursday afternoon Mr Clinton flies on to Jerusalem where he would face a cool reception if he had given Mr Assad the boost of a presidential visit without gaining anything in return. He will address the Knesset. On Friday he visits the US troops in Kuwait.

The Republicans need to gain seven seats to capture the Senate. Latest polls show the Republicans will almost take Democratic seats in Ohio, Maine and Arizona, and are level-pegging in Michigan, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Virginia and two Tennessee seats. No Republican-held seats are in danger. The governors' races are important because governors can swing their states behind their party's presidential candidate in 1996. The Republicans need 40 gains to take the House. More than 50 Democrat-held seats and 12 Republican are still highly competitive.

Mubarak crusade fails to crush Muslim militants

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER, MIDDLE EAST CORRESPONDENT

YESTERDAY'S attack on British tourists in Upper Egypt, coming only days after the stabbing of Naguib Mahfouz, Egypt's 83-year-old Nobel prize-winning novelist, provided grim proof that the government's crackdown has failed to curb Islamic militants.

After months of arrests, executions and raids on militant hideouts, the moderate regime of President Mubarak had been expressing optimism that the battle with the militants had peaked. A turning point was considered the killing in April of Talaat Yassin Hammam, leader of the military wing of the militant Gama'a al-Islamiya, the group believed to have been behind yesterday's ambush in which a Briton was killed and three others were wounded.

The killing of Hammam has proved only to have given the government a breathing space before the resumption of the campaign against tourists. This has already cost the government more than £650 million and is designed to destroy one of the main sources of hard currency for Egypt's ailing economy.

"What I believe is that in the Gama'a, there are thousands of Yassin Hammams," said Abdelhalin Mandour, a lawyer closer to the wider Islamic movement in Egypt now pressing for a more rigid adherence to Islamic norms in a society previously renowned for its tolerance. "Every time they kill a militant, they say he was a key leader in the military branch and we always found that others appear again. I do not expect this campaign will stop."

The Gama'a, which has also campaigned against belly dancing and Western fashions, receives funding from Iran. It has used neighbouring Sudan as a location for training camps supervised by members of the Iranian Revolutionary Guards and is dedicated to the overthrow of President Mubarak and the transformation of Egypt, the largest Arab nation with a population of 57 million, into a purist Islamic state.

The strategic stakes in a struggle which since 1992 has claimed more than 435 lives, including six other tourists, are high because Islamic leaders are convinced that the overthrow of President Mubarak would swiftly be followed by victories for Islamic militants fighting the governments in Algeria and Tunisia and after that, possibly Morocco and Jordan too.

Three senior members of President Mubarak's cabinet have survived assassination attempts and the militants have repeatedly vowed to inflict on the President the same fate which befell his predecessor, Anwar Sadat, who was shot by extremists in October 1981. The authorities have hanged many of the young militants, but the Islamic groups have found a fertile breeding ground among the slums of Cairo.

An attack on August 27 which killed a Spanish boy in Upper Egypt, the first against tourists since the middle of March, was bloody proof that foreign visitors were still in the front line of a war which some government officials have tried to pretend was over. Worse was to come a month later in the previously untroubled Red Sea resort of Hurghada, where Islamic gunmen opened fire on a group of Germans, killing one and wounding another. It was the first time since the anti-tourist campaign was launched in 1992 with a failed bomb attack on the Carnak temple in Luxor that the Gama'a had switched its campaign to the Red Sea.

The militants, reinforced by hardened veterans of the anti-communist war in Afghanistan where many fought with American-supplied weapons, have pledged to step up their attacks against the Red Sea areas.

Parallel with a campaign which has affected tourism — to the extent that some five-star hotels in Cairo have so little business they are prepared to offer rooms at £15 a night and where hundreds of cruise boats remain moored on the banks of the Nile — has been an Islamic move to infiltrate professional organisations and the teaching profession. Despite repeated warnings from Western embassies, foreign tourists continue to visit the antiquities of Upper Egypt.

Rifkind backs campaign to rout Hamas

MALCOLM Rifkind, the Defence Secretary, last night likened Britain's 25-year conflict with the IRA with Israel's struggle against Islamic militants and gave British support to the hard line adopted against Hamas, the Islamic resistance group (Christopher Walker writes).

His hard-hitting speech did much to dispel the notion held in Israel in recent years that Britain was instinctively pro-Arab. Referring to last Wednesday's Tel Aviv bus bomb in which 22 Jews were killed by a Muslim suicide attacker, Mr Rifkind said: "Like the people and government of Britain, the people and government of Israel will not be intimidated or deflected by these incidents." Mr Rifkind, was joint guest of honour with Yitzhak Rabin, Israel's Prime Minister, at the annual dinner staged in Tel Aviv to mark the anniversary of the 1917 Balfour Declaration when Britain promised the Jews a national home in Palestine.



Palestinians burn pictures of King Husain in a Jerusalem demonstration against the Israeli-Jordanian peace treaty to be signed on Wednesday

Hebron riot after Israelis kill Palestinian knife-man

FROM BILL HUTMAN IN JERUSALEM

ISRAELI soldiers yesterday shot dead a Palestinian as he tried to knife a soldier in the West Bank town of Hebron.

At least five Palestinians were injured when soldiers opened fire with tear gas and rubber bullets to disperse rioters during protests sparked by the killing. Palestinian sources said. The Israeli soldier attacked was also injured in the incident, near a Jewish enclave in the heart of Hebron, army sources said. The dead Palestinian was identified as Nidal Tamimi, 22, a shopkeeper apparently affiliated with the militant Islamic group Hamas.

The Hebron incident came as Israeli security forces were reported to have rounded up dozens of Hamas supporters in the West Bank as part of a crackdown after the Tel Aviv bus bombing last week for which Hamas admitted responsibility. The Israeli government also passed measures aimed at further prohibiting Palestinians from entering Israel. The border closure excluding virtually all Palestinians from entry — including the thousands who work in Israel — was extended indefinitely. The Cabinet also endorsed a plan to permit entry of another 19,000 foreign workers to replace Palestinian labourers.

Israel's agriculture and building sectors are particularly dependent on cheap Palestinian labour. Last week, when the closure was first imposed, the government permitted an initial 15,000 foreign workers into Israel to replace the Palestinians. Yassir Arafat, the PLO leader, denounced the closure as an "unfair collective punishment" that caused economic hardship for Palestinians. He said at the weekend that when he meets President Clinton later this week he will demand that the Palestinians be allowed to return to their jobs in Israel.

About 50,000 Israelis gathered at the site of the bus bombing on Dizengoff Street in central Tel Aviv on Saturday night, in a protest organised by opposition groups. Demonstrators shouted "Death to Arabs", carried signs attacking the government and demanded the peace process be halted. Last night, Israeli police positively identified the remains of the suicide bomber as Saleh al Souwi, a Hamas member from the West Bank town of Kalkilya.

Saudi billionaire's son dies in kidnap

FROM MICHAEL THEODOULOU IN NICOSIA

THE two-year-old son of a Saudi billionaire was killed despite an attempt to rescue him from hostage-takers in Riyadh, diplomats said yesterday. Police shot dead one of the gang, who had demanded a £6.6 million ransom.

Diplomats said three Filipinos, armed with knives and axes, broke into the house of Saleh al-Rajhi on Saturday night, seized his wife, sons and a Filipino maid as hostages, and demanded a plane to fly them to the Philippines.

Police surrounded the villa and stormed it two hours later. The Philippines consul-general had tried unsuccessfully to negotiate with the attackers, diplomats said.

Some sources said the hostage-takers killed Mr al-Rajhi's son to press their demands. Two hostages, a Filipino maid and an Indonesian driver, were also said to have died. The state-run Saudi media, usually slow to report bad or sensitive news, did not mention the incident.

Residents in Riyadh's King Fahd district said Mr al-Rajhi's son was buried yesterday. His wife was said to have been seriously injured when the attackers held a knife to her throat. Mr al-Rajhi owns the al-Rajhi Financial House for Investment, the kingdom's second-largest financial institution.

An official at the Philippines Embassy in Riyadh, which represents more than half-a-million Filipino workers in the oil-rich state, said: "The consul-general was called to go to the villa and negotiate with the attackers but they did not want to talk."

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Amnesty fails to uncover township guns

FROM RAY KENNEDY IN JOHANNESBURG

FEWER than 1,000 weapons have been surrendered to the police during a week-long amnesty in South Africa on illegal firearms, and police chiefs and politicians have expressed concern over the poor response.

Among the weapons handed in were crude home-made pistols and rifles, but fewer than 50 AK-47 assault rifles, the favourite weapons of the township self-defence units.

Only in Thokoza township, east of Johannesburg, was there anything like a significant haul where the ANC-aligned self defence unit took a collection of weapons, including several AK-47s and automatic pistols, to the local police station. Thousands of AK-47s have been smuggled into South Africa since the height of the ANC's guerrilla campaign in the early 1980s and many are believed to be hidden in caches.

Of the 42 AK-47s surrendered nationwide during the week of amnesty, several were rusty and unserviceable.



Self-defence unit members hand in their weapons in Thokoza township

In Vosloorus township, adjoining Thokoza, pledges by self-defence unit commanders to surrender all their weapons and to work for peace failed to materialise and a ceremony at the local football stadium was attended by more journalists than residents. One youth brought four Russian-made rocket-propelled grenades but the launcher was missing; he claimed it had already been confiscated by the police.

The authorities have said that people caught with illegal firearms will be prosecuted harshly but General Johan van der Merwe, the police commissioner, said: "It is obvious that we did not persuade all the people that it's for the best. It appears that people still regard the AK-47 as something that is important for their protection."

In Cape Town Patrick McKenzie, the minister responsible for police affairs in the National Party-dominated Western Cape regional legislature, said there had been no negotiation with community leaders. "It is useless for us to sit in our ivory towers and tell people what to do. We've just started with community policing in the Western Cape and people need to feel that if they hand in their weapons the police will be there to protect them." In Khayalitsha township outside Cape Town, self-defence units said they would not surrender their firearms until the security forces were fully integrated.

☐ **Election row:** The National Party and the mainly white Liberal Democratic Party denied that they tried to persuade the Independent Electoral Commission, which was set up to run South Africa's first democratic election in April, to alter the results of the poll in their favour.

It was claimed in newspaper reports that only hours before the final result was declared on May 6, the two parties called on the commission to lop 2.3 million votes, mainly from the former black homelands, from the total.

Polio boy is adopted by Farrow

Delhi: Mia Farrow, the actress, is to adopt a six-year-old Indian orphan suffering from polio, a disease she suffered from briefly as a child, Indian press reports said yesterday.

Farrow was chosen as the ideal parent by Shyamala Abroal, in charge of an orphanage in the western city of Pune, from several offers across the world for the boy, Suraj, the reports said.

"We had sent Suraj's photographs to various agencies in Australia, Europe and the United States about a year ago," she said. "Farrow had applied ... and I found [her] a very warm, sensitive and caring person. Suraj couldn't have asked for a better foster home." He was abandoned by his parents at the age of three after he contracted polio.

Farrow, 49, the estranged wife of actor-comedian Woody Allen and former wife of conductor Andre Previn and singer Frank Sinatra, has seven foster children in addition to four of her own. *(AFP)*



Farrow: sensitive, warm and caring

Mozambique poll bedevilled by sabotage claims

FROM MICHAEL HAMLYN IN TETE

AFONSO Dhlakama complains bitterly that the party he opposes in Mozambique's general election this week — the first democratic election in the country's history — is sabotaging his campaign.

Mr Dhlakama, 46, who is making the transition from guerrilla chief to head of a political party, leads Renamo, which fought a brutal civil war against the government of the Marxist-Leninist Frelimo. President Chissano, the Frelimo leader, is also trying to make a difficult transition, from unelected Communist to market-oriented democrat.

According to Mr Dhlakama he has a long way to go. Government officers have cut off the telephones in the houses where he has stayed during his tour of the northern provinces, where his principal strength lies. "I cannot call Maputo. I must co-ordinate my campaign," he said in a phoneless guest house in this town on the banks of the Zambesi. "This is sabotage."

Mr Dhlakama also accused his rival of fraud, by registering thousands of foreigners — Zimbabweans, Tanzanians and Malawians — as voters, but failing to register Mozambicans in those areas where Renamo's strength lies.

He complains, too, about the six million T-shirts — costing £1.30 each — which are being distributed by Frelimo. "Our children don't have food, they don't have schools, but they all have Frelimo T-shirts," Mr Dhlakama said.

The problem, he insists, is that President Chissano's party is "worried about the success that I get during this campaign." He cites the huge crowds that have been turning out to see him in a triumphant progress through the two most populous states of the country, Nampula and Zambezia, which between them have 102 of the 250 seats in parliament. By contrast, here in Tete the crowd turning out for Mr Chissano far outnumbered those braving a downpour for Mr Dhlakama.

Mr Dhlakama explains his popularity by saying: "The people need changes. They believe in me, not because I fought for democracy, not because I fought for justice, but because I am an alternative."

'Nation of soreheads' loses the can-do spirit

Anger fuels the Capitol race

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN NEW YORK

AMERICA is angry. Angrier, it seems, than at any time in recent history and for reasons that baffle and alarm the sociologists, economists and, most emphatically, the politicians fighting for re-election in November's mid-term elections.

The anger is largely unfocused but endemic, extending beyond the political scepticism and distrust of Washington that first seemed to coalesce around the splenetic figure of Ross Perot in 1992 and has swelled ever since.

In a column entitled "God's Angry Land", Russell Baker of *The New York Times* recently asked the question: "Why has anger become reflexive response to the inevitable vagaries of national life?"

He bemoaned: "America is angry at Washington, angry at the press, angry at immigrants, angry at television, angry at traffic, angry at people who are well off and angry at people who are poor, angry at blacks and angry at whites."

The can-do spirit has been eclipsed by the damn-you spirit.

The inflammation is the more unsettling in this nation of optimists since, comparatively, there seems little for Americans to be angry about. The economy is recovering, the country is at peace and there are few specific political issues, other than crime, that prey on the minds of the electorate.

One of the more remarkable aspects of this election season is the virtual absence of political debate. Issues such as the economy, healthcare, political reform and foreign policy, instead of providing focus in the campaigns have usually been relegated to the background.

Instead, the campaigns have concentrated on personalities, at most accompanied by vote-garnering pronouncements on crime or immigration. Critics have pointed out that the television advertisements of Pete Wilson, the Governor of California, and Kathleen Brown, his Democratic challenger, are virtually indistinguishable in this respect.

MID-TERM ELECTIONS

President Clinton, who attended a fund-raising dinner for Ms Brown in San Francisco at the weekend, took the precaution of signing a directive calling for tougher legislation against guns in schools; Ms Brown looked on appreciatively.

As Senator Edward Kennedy, Tom Foley, the House Speaker, and Senator Dianne Feinstein are all discovering, a legislative record of any sort has become a political liability. Mr Wilson, an experienced politician with four years as governor and eight as senator behind him, has been careful to avoid referring to his own political expertise for fear of being tarred with the same brush.

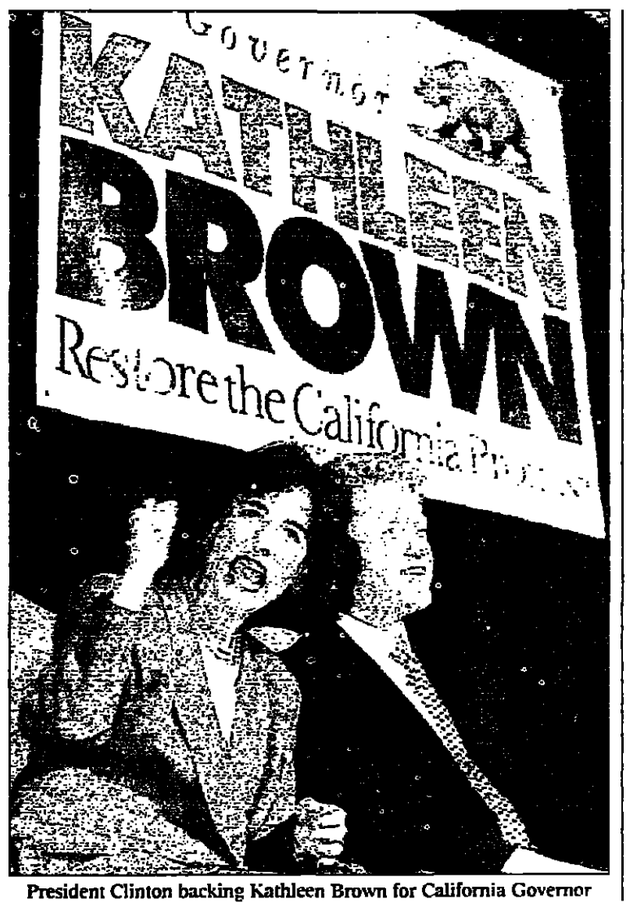
The mood of anti-government bile is perhaps best illustrated by Michael Huffington, would-be California Senator, who wants a government that does nothing. Until recently his policy plans did not even bother to mention education or healthcare.

Some observers have traced the wellsprings of fury to an earlier era of protest, of the sort that ended the Vietnam War and launched the Civil Rights movement. "The nation got mad as hell a long time ago, got good results, and now can't shake the anger habit," Baker wrote. But the current discontent has little in common with that age, for it is essentialy negative, unconcerned with details but unhappy with the status quo. Partly this is the traditional mid-term blues, a look back in anger to two years ago when Democrats suddenly controlled both Congress and the White House, promised much, but in the end were able to deliver little. The cadaver of healthcare reform, now seldom discussed, lies in a corner as the most pungent reminder of the limits of government.

But in the end the discontent may be less to do with political disappointment than American society's disillusionment with itself, a widespread perception that God's own country is going to hell in a handbasket. With baseball wrecked by greed and ice hockey heading the same way, there is not even sufficient sport to reinforce the sense of community.

But the anger will pass with time, for whining does not come naturally to America where self-improvement is still a potent national myth. Come late November, voters may look at freshman Senator Oliver North and wonder quite what their anger hath wrought.

Garrison Keillor, the homespun satirist, found a grain of hope in an article yesterday. "We are becoming a nation of soreheads, and so this fall we probably will go to the polls and shoot ourselves in the foot," he wrote.



President Clinton backing Kathleen Brown for California Governor

Training starts for new Haiti police

FROM REUTER IN PORT-AU-PRINCE

AN INTERNATIONAL effort to retrain Haiti's feared police begins today with a five-day programme for screened recruits aimed at building a 3,000-strong interim force by mid-December.

A US Justice Department unit is overseeing the training of the first 375 police by American police, Royal Canadian Mounted Police and others, who will teach through interpreters speaking Haitian Creole.

The need for the training was underscored by what appeared to be an act of vigilante justice yesterday when a man was found hacked to death with a machete near the main cathedral in Port-au-Prince. A crowd of 200 looked on as international police monitors and American military police investigated the killing.

"Our station is only two blocks away and nobody bothered to report this killing to us," said an Argentine international police monitor.

Tobacco firm tries to sell tolerance

BY BEN MACINTYRE

THE latest weapon in America's smoking war is the Yin and Yang symbol, which has been adapted by cigarette manufacturer Philip Morris in an effort to convince the public that smokers and non-smokers can live together in smoky harmony.

As part of its "accommodation programme", a campaign to encourage tolerance of smoking, the company is distributing thousands of these new logos to restaurants, shops and social clubs across the US to designate places where smoking is permitted, or even encouraged.



Forty-seven American states now have anti-smoking ordinances of some sort, and as the anti-smoking crusade gathers speed across the US, Philip Morris insists the "accommodation symbol" will provide succour to nicotine addicts who find they are increasingly banned from restaurants, buses, trains, sports stadiums and the workplace.

"We wanted to provide restaurant owners with a more user-friendly sign that enabled them to communicate to customers that everyone is welcome, whether they smoke or not," according to a spokesman for Philip Morris.

But anti-smokers and others say that by using the Yin and Yang symbol, long taken to represent the reconciliation of opposites — whether in terms of gender, race or religion — the tobacco giant is misleading the public by turning a debate over health into a question of personal liberty.

The "accommodation symbol", which now appears in Benson & Hedges advertisements, is just the latest salvo in the campaign to convince smokers that they are a glamorous, persecuted minority. Cigarette advertisements now show smokers perched on the wings of aeroplanes above the legend: "The Lengths You Go for Pleasure."

The wavy line on the new symbol, dividing red from green and smoker from non-smoker, is clearly intended to echo and undermine the traditional no-smoking sign of a circle with a straight line through a smoking cigarette.

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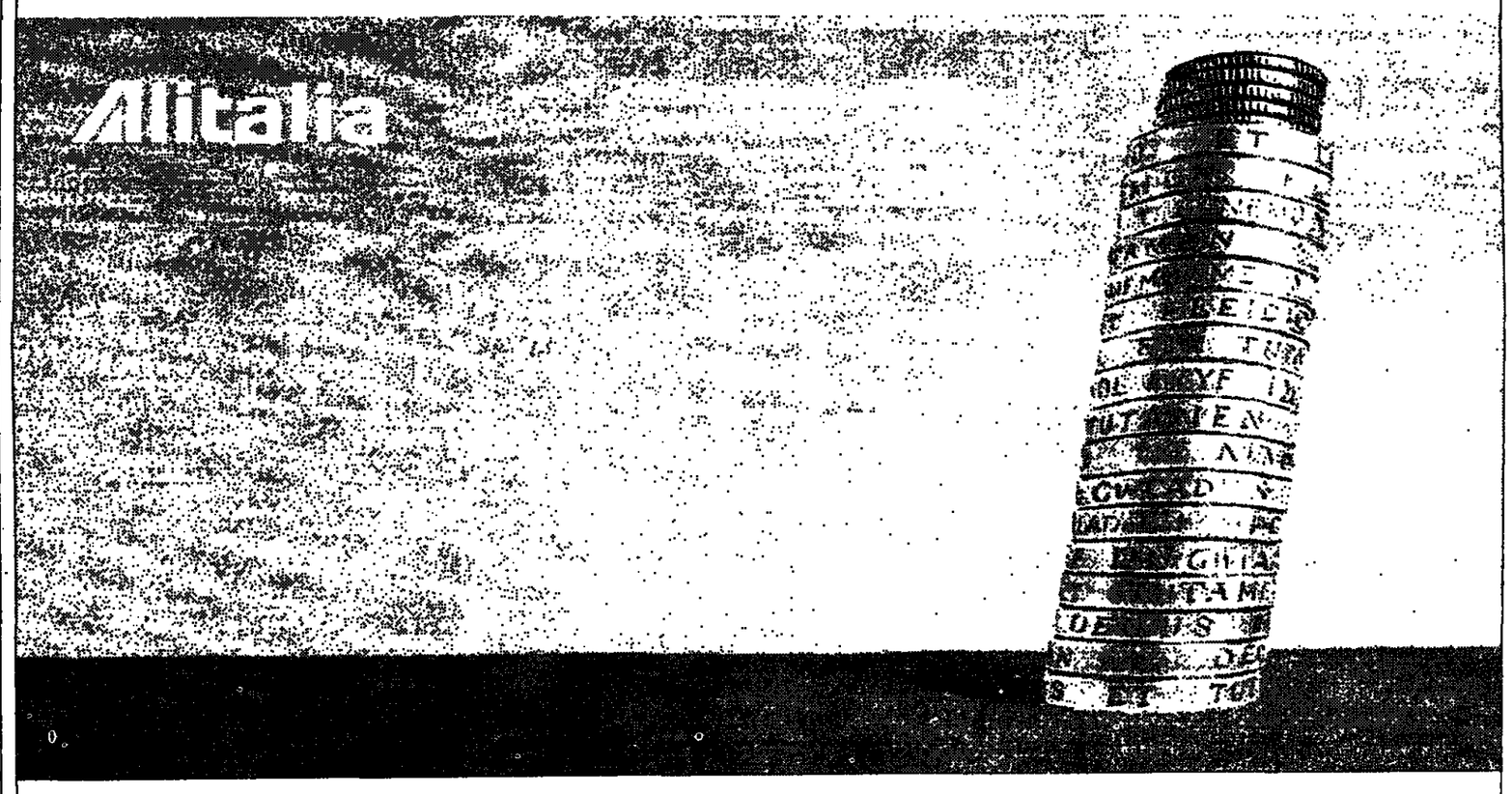
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All hail Rambert the Bruce

So what has the new artistic director done with his bigger company, orchestra and budget? Made an impressive start, says **Debra Craine**

Armed with an enhanced roster of 25 dancers, a chamber orchestra (London Musici) and an unprecedented £1.2 million budget, the new artistic director of Rambert Dance Company is setting out to bring people back to the theatre with his "thinking big" philosophy. Last week Christopher Bruce laid his cards on the table when he launched the reborn Rambert at the Edinburgh Festival Theatre.

Two programmes highlighted his pluralist agenda: popular revivals were represented by Bruce's own *Sergeant Early's Dream*, theatrical spectacle by Martha Clarke's *The Garden of Earthly Delights*. But the most comprehensive artistic statement came in the second programme with three new works, two of them by the sort of outside choreographer who fulfils Bruce's mandate of cutting across the classical ballet-modern dance divide.

> "Works cut across the classical ballet-modern dance divide"

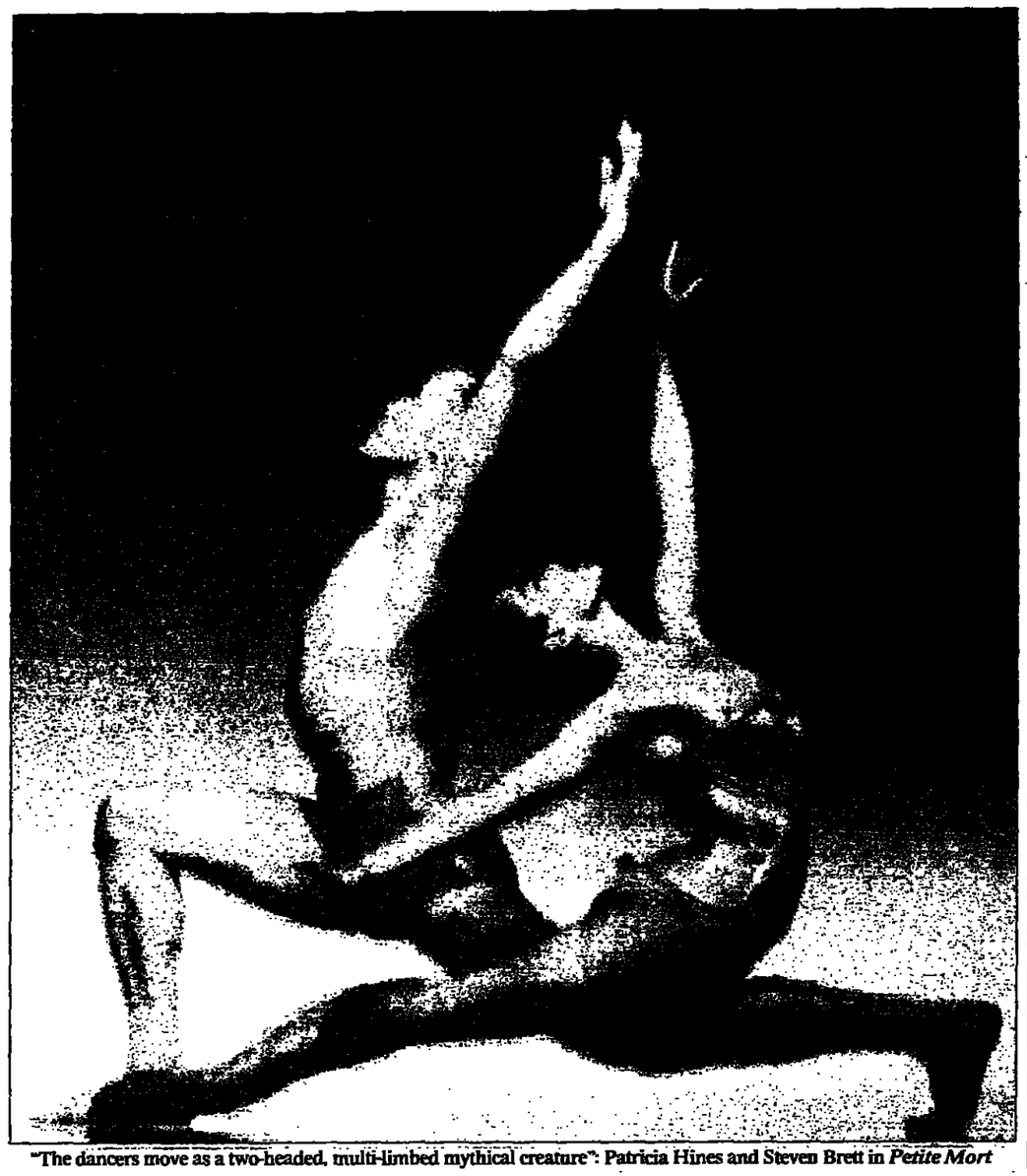
Jiri Kylian, director of Netherlands Dance Theatre, has given Rambert his *Petite Mort*, set to the slow movements of Mozart's Piano Concertos Nos 21 and 23. The piece is a quirky mix of the cheeky and the sublime while its title, a French euphemism for orgasm, suggests a more forceful sexuality than is actually delivered. The six male swordsmen who open the ballet appear pointless, despite their display of aggression, yet a segment involving six women and a row of big-hooped black ballgowns is deliciously funny, the dresses moving independently, like giant tea cosies on rollers, as the dancers step in and out of them to slip into and out of a strait-laced Victorian morality.

The final section is Kylian at his best, his ease of crossover between classical and modern techniques evident in two meltingly beautiful couplings of occasionally astonishing invention and balletic grace. The physical bond of his pairings is so complete that the dancers seem to move as one connected being, a two-headed, multi-limbed mythical creature.

On the evidence of *Arioma 7* Ohad Naharin, of Israel's Batsheva Company, is a choreographer who does not know when he's on to a good thing. His contribution belongs to the hackneyed "chair ballet" genre, but the gimmick works unexpectedly well in his hands. A large semi-circle of chairs fills the stage, seating 19 dancers and acting as choreographic partners in repeated sequences of folkloric gestures and drunken body bends. A game of musical chairs ensues, a Mexican wave is incorporated into the increasingly complex sequences of athletic modernism and the dancers start to disrobe like losers in a game of strip poker. The mood is playful, the effect exhilarating. But when Naharin slows the pace with a series of pretentious solos and duets, the appeal fades.

A new work by Bruce puts his imprint on Rambert's new style. His vocabulary is wide-ranging: expansive and voluptuous in full flight, poetic in its quieter moments. *Crossing*, for ten dancers, suggests a journey. On a darkened stage, comrades support each other within a circle of light, slowly dissolving into position: their swaying torsos manifest their worried fatigue. Once their destination appears within sight, the contorted movements become bigger, more fluent and frenzied.

Crossing is inspired by Henryk Gorécki's turgid String Quartet No 2, rescored for string orchestra. Mid-journey sees the choreography drift into nebulous formations but the ending is satisfyingly ambiguous. Here, as everywhere else, the dancers were simply superb.



"The dancers move as a two-headed, multi-limbed mythical creature": Patricia Hines and Steven Brett in *Petite Mort*

Verse calls for vengeance

The Broken Heart
Swan, Stratford

THERE have been no fewer than four productions this year of *The Broken Heart*, John Ford's confounded Caroline tragedy about thwarted love, revenge, purity and penance, crowded with characters persistently indulging in indecent amounts of plot. I have no idea why, *writes Kate Bassett*.

Ford's Spartans appear to converse in elaborate metaphors and grammatically puzzling axioms cluttered with abstract nouns. Michael Boyd's cast must shoulder some of the guilt for this. Turning criminal in his passion for Penthea, Iain Glen's Orgilus insincerely warbles his pentameters, pausing in nonsensical places and going for melodramatic spins.

Emma Fielding, enamoured but iron-willed Penthea, all in white, petite as an innocent child with the voice of a woman, speaks verse with marked technical maturity and contained emotion. But she loses it in the mad scene, as the play transmutes into Hamlet Rehashed. Philip Voss as her jealous husband, combining the coarse and the foppish, adds comic clout but Robert Bowman gives a dumpy performance as her brother.

Tom Piper's costumes, sparing us Ancient Sparta, are an early 17th-century feast of voluminous velvet and silk brocade. Austere collars are trimmed with lace in a world where the Puritan and the Cavalier have not yet clearly separated: aptly enough, given the moral confusion of Ford's characters. But the play's concern with bridal virginity and enforced marriages appears largely irrelevant today, though I suppose it might well seem absolutely up-to-the-minute to our future monarch.



Emma Fielding speaks her verse with assurance

What exactly Boyd is up to in this awkward and sometimes embarrassing staging is perplexing. Given the venue, the absurd tableau of a swan that has apparently committed artistic suicide (hanging itself above a messy banquet table) is just ironic. Fortunately the RSC is bound to pop its head out of the wreckage like a phoenix.

Inclassificable
Ronnie Scott's

SINCE arriving in Europe with Argentinian saxophonist Gato Barbieri in the early 1970s, the Brazilian percussionist Nana Vasconcelos has been in the vanguard, alongside trumpeter Don Cherry, of what might be termed "world jazz".

Vasconcelos has displayed his extraordinary virtuosity in a wide variety of contexts, among them the bands of American guitarist Pat Metheny and Norwegian saxophonist Jan Garbarek, and it is a tribute not only to his skill but to the hospitable nature of jazz that he has become, under these leaders, an indispensable part of an organic whole rather than merely a piece of grafted-on exoticism. Performing at Ronnie Scott's under the rather off-putting collective name Inclassificable, Vasconcelos, saxophonist Andy Sheppard and keyboard player Steve Lodder somehow managed to forge a group identity which in no way stifled each player's considerable inventiveness.

Lodder and Sheppard are not only an established duo, touring arts centres as Small Co-Motion, but also the heart of Sheppard's regular quintet In Co-Motion, so the danger was that Vasconcelos might easily find himself merely embellishing the trio's music.

In the event, although the major input was clearly Sheppard's — both the tender, yearning melancholy of his tenor ballads and the jauntier plangency of his soprano vehicles were strongly featured — Vasconcelos and Lodder produced highly individual performances.

Utilising everything from a shaken metal strip to small rattling gourds, from his trademark berimbau to rhythm logs, and occasionally embellishing the whole with electronically echoing vocals, Vasconcelos confirmed his reputation as the doyen of percussionists. Lodder, too, drew on a wonderfully rich variety of electronic keyboard sounds, from accordion to pipe organs, to set the appropriate tone and timbre for each piece.

CHRIS PARKER

The sound of Julie

Broadway will once more be graced by **Julie Andrews**. The singing star has announced that she will return to the New York stage in April, starring in *Victor/Victoria* — an adaptation of the risqué transvestite satire which provided her with one of her more grown-up film roles. The show will be directed by Andrews's husband, **Blake Edwards**, who also directed the film.

● WHAT's in a name? Apparently a lot for playwright **Simon Gray**, who has just changed the title of his new spy thriller, due to arrive on the West End next year. Formerly entitled *Homesick*, the play has been renamed *Cell Mates*: it reunites Gray with co-stars Rik Mayall and Stephen Fry, who starred in the West End production of his *The Common Pursuit* some years ago.

● ONE big box-office pull of Covent Garden's season has fallen through. **José Carreras** has withdrawn from next June's performances of Verdi's *Stiffelio*. Instead, the highly demanding tenor role will be sung by the slightly less famous **José Cura** from Argentina.

● ANOTHER mixed bag of singers, including **Chrissie Hynde** and **Lena Horne**, has been lined up for the sequel to **Frank Sinatra**'s best-selling *Duets* album, due to be released in America next month. Hynde joins Sinatra on "Luck Be A Lady", while Horne appears on "Embraceable You". **Linda Ronstadt**, **Gladys Knight** and **Stevie Wonder** are also involved.

OVERTURES

● FORMER James Bond leading lady **Maryam d'Abo** (*The Living Daylights*) may be heading for the London stage. The actress so enjoyed working with French-Canadian co-star Myriam Cyr on their recent film *Savage Hearts* that they now hope to reteam for a run in the theatre. Their chosen project: **Neil Simon**'s female version of *The Odd Couple*.

The only hitch appears to be that West End producer **Bill Kenwright** already has the London rights to the play, and is preparing a separate West End version for **Jenny Seagrove**.

● NEVER underestimate the bad taste of a "gangsta" rapper. About to roll off the production line in Los Angeles is a new ultra-violent video by **Dr Dre** and **Ice Cube** inspired by mass murderers Charles Manson and Jeffrey Dahmer and, yes, the O.J. Simpson case. In their performance of "Natural Born Killaz" the two rappers (founder members of the notorious NWA) are shown dancing on a bloody heap of body parts; another scene shows them standing on electric chairs amid dangling corpses.

The video, which Ice Cube says "pokes fun" at serial killers, will be premiered in America on Halloween. "People can think whatever they want about me," explains Dre, "but the fact is I'm just an artist doing my best to entertain."

● WHEN is a reunion not a reunion? Perhaps when it involves two, rather than all three former members of the 1970s supergroup **Led Zeppelin**. Speaking in Paris, **Robert Plant** and **Jimmy Page** claimed to have turned down an offer of $100 million to reform and tour America. Instead, and without the involvement of third man **John Paul Jones**, they have collaborated on *Unledded*, an MTV special in which several of the band's old hits receive world music-type facelifts.

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OPERA: Birtwistle's new work previewed; Shostakovich's 1958 satire reviewed

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Philip Langridge gets under the skin of his new role, as the protagonist in the premiere of Birtwistle's *The Second Mrs Kong* at Glyndebourne

Beastly night for singing

With the premiere tonight of Birtwistle's *The Second Mrs Kong*, an old cinema myth gets a new operatic twist. David Robinson reports

The inspiration to make King Kong the protagonist of Harrison Birtwistle's new opera originated with the librettist, Russell Hoban, best known for his novels (*Turtle Diary*, *Riddley Walker*) and children's books. "Harry [Birtwistle] wrote to me in May 1991," Hoban says. "He said he'd been reading my books and we seemed to have a number of preoccupations in common and would I like to talk about doing an opera? We met and he explained that he was looking for a myth — something everyone would be familiar with."

Hoban wrote to Birtwistle that same evening: "An idea has leapt upon me. See what you think. I'm thinking about Fay Wray and King Kong. Maybe Fay is now a computer hacker and she's missing Kong like anything because the world is a poorer place without him; when he died a lot of our innocence died with him. So he's in the world of the shades now, he's in Persephone's dark realm."

Having outlined a plan for a computer-age Orpheus and Eurydice adventure for Kong, Hoban's letter asked: "How does that grab you for a premise? It's big, it's mythopoeic, it's archetypal, it's haunting and memorable. As well as including Eurydice and Orpheus it's also *Die Schöne Müllerin* in reverse: the unattainable beauty and the unattainable innocence."

The premise did indeed grab Birtwistle, who turned out to share Hoban's love of *King Kong*, and has seen the film at least half-a-dozen times. In the course of the next three years the libretto went through a lot of transformations ("I stopped numbering my drafts at 25," Hoban says). Even Joseph Goebbels was among assorted characters that came and went. Wray herself disappeared: now Kong is linked, in an eternal romance transcending time, with Vermeer's Girl With a Pearl.

Hoban traces his own fascination with Kong back to 1933, when he was eight and his father, the advertising manager of the *Jewish Daily Chronicle in Philadelphia*, brought home a chromolithographed cardboard cutout of Kong on the top of the Empire State Building, with Wray in one hand and an aircraft crushed in the other. Today this piece of throwaway advertising would be a sensation at Christies: it is a measure of the myth that any Kong memorabilia is almost beyond price.

Back in 1933, the makers of the film could not have foreseen that they were about to give the 20th century its most potent and enduring fable. The project was a Hollywood commercial venture like any other, albeit ambitious for the times, with a budget of $680,000. Merian C. Cooper and Ernest B. Schoedsack, who collaborated on the production and direction, were both 40. For *King Kong* they joined forces with Willis O'Brien, the father of Hollywood special effects, to whom more than anyone else is due the character and the enduring fascination of Kong. Hoban himself is particularly intrigued by one notion: "There never was a 50ft-high gorilla; there never was even a 50ft-high fake gorilla. Only the idea is 50ft high. The physical Kong of the RKO film was a creature of bits and pieces, chief among which were a giant head and shoulders, a giant hand and foot, and an articulated model only 18in tall.

"The giant head rolled its eyes and opened and closed its jaws in sync with terrifying roars; the giant hand picked up Wray; the giant foot stepped heavily on Skull Island extras; and the 18in model, moved by the hand of O'Brien a *sixteenth of an inch at a time*, climbed a scale-model Empire State Building in stop-motion photography."

> "Even Joseph Goebbels was one of the characters that came and went"

The idea for the ape was Cooper's, whom Wray remembers in her memoirs *On The Other Hand* as having "the exuberance of a young boy whose dreams of adventure are forever in the forefront of his mind". She also recalls being with him when he thought up the name, which had a ring to it "as though a reverberating tone had been struck on a Chinese gong".

The best-selling English thriller-writer Edgar Wallace was engaged to write the script, but died days after completing a first draft. Later Cooper claimed that nothing of Wallace's script remained in the film; but a copy discovered a few years ago proved that much of the basic concept was already in the Wallace version. A further key contributor was the composer Max Steiner, whose score was conceived like the symphonic accompaniment for a silent film.

Wray is still alive, with one of the brightest intellects Hollywood ever saw, and a realistic recognition of her stature as a living myth. She remembers that when Cooper promised her "the tallest, darkest leading man in Hollywood" she thought he meant Cary Grant.

Production stretched over ten months, and Wray remembers working a non-stop 22-hour day for the scene where Kong rescues her from the tyrannosaurus. She was paid $10,000 for the role. In those days there were no residuals for either stars or directors.

With every re-release of the film new generations yield to its magic, despite the archaic style of the dramatic scenes. Even a now-forgotten remake failed to impair the effect of the original.

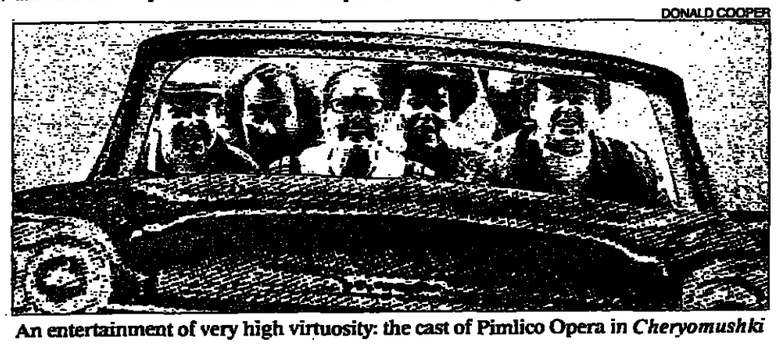
But while the big audience gives *Kong* its heart, academics have toiled over critical interpretations of the myth. It has been read as a metaphor for racism and white-black sexual fantasies; as an ecological tract; as a parable on the corruption of rural innocence by city cynicism; as surrealist dream; as an inverse reflection of the American experience of the Depression, at whose height the film appeared. A post-Freudian school sees a clue in the name of Kong's habitat — Skull Island — and interprets the great ape as symbolising the dark subconscious of the film's adventurer-hero.

The interpretation industry had a boost in the late 1970s when shots allegedly excised from the film by the American censors were inserted into new prints. These introduced overt sexuality into Kong's relationship with the heroine, as he pulled up her skirts and curiously touched her while holding her in his giant palm. Wray has always insisted that the scenes were spurious and never in the original film.

The Hoban-Birtwistle Kong is removed to the timeless underworld where he is an object of worship and desire, and encounters not only Pearl the Vermeer Girl but also Orpheus, Eurydice and a grumbly Anubis who, impolite but literal, refers to his boat-passengers as "has-beens". Defining their Kong (in his own words in the opera) as "the wild and wordless, lost and lonely child of all the world", Hoban and Birtwistle add new layers to the great legend of Kong.

● *The Second Mrs Kong opens tonight at Glyndebourne (0273 813813). Further performances on Thurs and Sat. It is then performed on successive Fridays at the Apollo Oxford, Theatre Royal Norwich, Theatre Royal Plymouth, New Theatre Woking and Palace Theatre Manchester*

DONALD COOPER



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Everyone has heard of *One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich*. Yet few know that at exactly the same period as Solzhenitsyn's book — the welcome postwar, post-terror "thaw" years of Krushchev — Shostakovich was filling the theatres with a rumbustious and sharply satirical operetta about life in the city's new *high-rise flats*. Cheryomushki, they called it, Cherry Trees Estate: your own key (if you wait long enough), your own doorbell, your own window, and your own view onto the endlessly grey southern reaches of Leninsky Prospekt. Britain is now seeing it all for the first time.

Pimlico Opera has hired Shostakovich expert Gerard McBurney to reorchestrate Shostakovich's huge symphonic carousel of boulevard songs, rock 'n' roll numbers, dances, send-ups of Tchaikovsky, Borodin — and not least himself — into a raucous, swaggering romp for 14-piece dance band, ecstatically conducted by Wasfi Kani. David Pountney's job was to turn into English the barbed, bouncing satire of Mass and Chervinsky; Lucy Bailey's to bring to life the tumbling scenes and fantasy sequences. The result is an evening's entertainment of great virtuosity. But because this is Shostakovich, shadows flit across its scarlet footlights: the Chagall-like father and daughter, Barburov and Lidochka (Brian Lipson and Anna Barkan), dispossessed, yet never quite gaining the key to *their* promised land; and the explosives expert, Boris (Ian Platt), smouldering with love for Lidochka, temporarily working for the Metro — and simply yearning to *be*.

There is a perfumed magic garden (where you *have* to be happy), a magic bench (whoever sits on it tells the truth), a waltz perhaps too many, a pop-up programme book, and a central Totally Naff Tart in the irresistible Janet Fullerlove. And lots more besides. Don't miss it.

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London

■ **House full, returns only**
◪ **Some seats available**
☐ **Seats at all prices**

☐ **BEAUTIFUL THING:** Jonathan Harvey's award-winning and touching play about teenage love, gay and straight, on a London council estate **Duke of York's**, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-836 5122) Mon-Thurs 8pm, Fri and Sat, 6pm and 8.30pm ◪

☐ **COME GOOD RAIN** Astonishing account by George Seremba, a Ugandan dissident in the time of Obote and Amin, who survived execution and tells his story for those who did not **Tricycle**, Kilburn High Road, NW6 (071-328 1000) Mon-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm ◪

◪ **DR KNOCK** Geoffrey Beevers takes the title role in Jules Romains's celebrated comic satire on the medical profession and public gullibility Sam Walters directs **Orange Tree**, Clarence St, Richmond (081-940 3633) Mon-Sat 7.45pm, mats Oct 27, 2.30pm, and Sat, 4pm ◪

■ **GAUCHO** Doug Lucie directs his own play, set on a Greek island where an elusive drugs dealer grants an interview to a university friend and her chums who have secrets of their own **Hampstead**, Swiss Cottage Centre, NW3 (071-722 9301) Opens tonight, 7pm Then Mon-Sat, 8pm mat Sat 4pm ◪

☐ **MOBY DICK** Final performances for David Calder as the one-legged Captain in Gerry Mulgrew's production for the RSC, visually fine but ultimately unstirring **Pit**, Barbican Centre, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight and Tue, 7.15pm ◪

◪ **MOSCOW STATIONS** Tom Courtenay's one-man performance as an alcoholic lost on the Moscow Underground You'll probably won't see finer, more touching acting this year. **Garrick**, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (071-494 5085) Mon-Sat, 8pm

◪ **THE OFFICIAL TRIBUTE TO THE BLUES BROTHERS** Lights, noise, good voices, exhilarating stuff from "Jake" and "Elwood" **Comedy**, Panton St, SW1 (071-369 1731) Tonight-Thurs, 8pm Fri and Sat, 5pm and 9pm Final week

☐ **ON APPROVAL** Peter Hall gives us the Lonsdale play as it was and is a sophisticated diverting but relatively useless piece Martin Jarvis is in brilliant form, with Anna Carteret, Louise Lombard and Simon Ward. **Playhouse**, Northumberland Ave, WC2 (071-839 4401) Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 5pm ◪

◪ **ONCE ON THIS ISLAND** Splendidly executed production of the hit Broadway musical, transferred from Birmingham Rep. Showbiz and Caribbean folk-tale proves to be a successful marriage. Terrific island sets **Island** (formerly the Royalty), Portugal St, WC2 (071-494 5090) Mon-Fri 8pm, Sat, 6pm, 8.45pm, mat Wed, 3pm ◪

☐ **THE PRIME OF MISS JEAN BRODIE** Patricia Hodge plays the inspirational but dangerous schoolteacher in a revival of an old favourite Alan Strachan directs **Strand**, Strand, WC2 (071-930 8800) Now previewing, 7.45pm opens Oct 25.

☐ **THE QUEEN AND I** Sue Townsend's satiric romp follows the deposed royals as they struggle to survive on a council estate Paula Wilcox plays a sensible and genial Queen, not as subversive as one might expect **Vaudeville**, The Strand, WC2 (071-836 9987) Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed and Sat, 3pm

☐ **RUTHERFORD AND SON** Bob Peck plays the implacable father of the firm and head of the family in welcome revival of Githa Sowerby's excellent play, dating from 1912 Katie Mitchell directs **National**, (Cottesloe), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252) Tonight-Wed, 7.30pm, mat Wed, 2.30pm ◪

☐ **THE SISTERS ROSENSWEIG** Greenwich Theatre's production of Wendy Wasserstein's too easy tears 'n' laughter drama Three sisters (Maureen Lipman, Janet Suzman and Linda Bellingham) seek happiness **Old Vic**, Waterloo Rd, SE1 (071-928 7616) Mon-Fri, 7.45pm, Sat, 8pm mats Wed, 2.30pm and Sat, 4pm.

☐ **THE STREET OF CROCODILES** Theatre Complicite's much-toured evocation of the tales and times of Bruno Schulz. Skilful, intriguing and greatly enjoyed by many. **Whitehall**, Whitehall, SW1 (071-930 7765) Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, Sat, 3.30pm

☐ **WHAT A PERFORMANCE** David Suchet shows off well as he mugs and flounces as Sid Field in William Humble's stage biography **Queen's**, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5041) Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Wed and Sat, 3pm.

LONG RUNNERS

☐ **Arcadia** Haymarket (071-930 8800) ☐ **Blood Brothers**, Phoenix (071-867 1044) ☐ **Buddy** Victoria Palace (071-834 1317) ◪ **Cats** New London (071-405 0072) ☐ **Copacabana** Prince of Wales (071-839 5972) ☐ **Crazy for You** Prince Edward (071-734 8951) ◪ **Don't Dress for Dinner** Duchess (071-494 5070) ◪ **Five Guys Named Moe** Lyric (071-494 5045) ◪ **Grease** Dominion (071-416 6060) ◪ **An Inspector Calls** Aldwych (071-836 6404) ☐ **Lady Windermere's Fan** Albery (071-867 1115) ◪ **Les Misérables** Palace (071-434 0909) ◪ **Miss Saigon** Theatre Royal (071-494 5400) ☐ **The Mousetrap**, St Martin's (071-836 1443) ■ **The Phantom of the Opera** Her Majesty's (071-494 5400) ☐ **She Loves Me** Savoy (071-836 8888) ◪ **Starlight Express** Apollo Victoria (071-828 8665) ◪ **Sunset Boulevard** Adelphi (071-344 0055) ☐ **The Winslow Boy** Globe (071-494 5065) ☐ **The Woman in Black** Fortune (071-836 2238)

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NEW RELEASES

◆ **THE CLIENT** (15) Mediocre version of John Grisham's thriller about a boy in jeopardy, with Susan Sarandon, Tommy Lee Jones and Brad Renfro Director, Joel Schumacher **MGMs: Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** ◪ (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332) **Warner** ◪ (071-437 4343)

8 SECONDS (PG) Unwanted biopic of a rodeo rider. The year's dullest film. Irondirector John G Avildsen **MGMs: Fulham Road** ◪ (071-370 2636) **Haymarket** (071-839 1527) **Trocadero** ◪ (071-434 0031)

L'ENFER (15) Jealousy rages in a provincial hotel Uneven thriller from Claude Chabrol, with Emmanuele Béart and François Cluzet **Chelsea** (071-351 3742) **Curzon Phoenix** (071-240 9661)

LANCELOT DU LAC (PG) Robert Bresson snips the Arthurian legend bare in a minimalist masterpiece from 1974 With Luc Simon and Laura Duke Condominas **Everyman** ◪ (071-435 1525)

ORPHEE Jean Cocteau's mesmerising retelling of the Orpheus legend, revived in a new print With Jean Marais, Maria Casar **NFT** (071-928 3232)

◆ **PULP FICTION** (18) Quentin Tarantino's flamboyant crime epic weaves together three tales from the LA underworld. With John Travolta, Bruce Willis and Samuel L. Jackson **Gate** ◪ (071-727 4043) **MGMs: Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Haymarket** (071-839 1527) **Shaftesbury Avenue** (071-836 6279) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **Phoenix** (081-883 2233) **Renoir** (071-837 8402) **Screen/Baker Street** (071-935 2772) **Screen/Green** (071-226 3520) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332) **Warner** ◪ (071-437 4343)

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◆ **THE ADVENTURES OF PRISCILLA, QUEEN OF THE DESERT** (15) Two drag queens and a transsexual get stuck in the Australian outback Joyful and vulgar romp with Terence Stamp and Hugo Weaving **MGMs: Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Haymarket** (071-839 1527) **Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Trocadero** ◪ (071-434 0031) **Odeon Kensington** (0426 914666) **Plaza** (0800 888997) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332) **Warner** ◪ (071-437 4343)

◆ **CLEAR AND PRESENT DANGER** (12) Harrison Ford fights Government duplicity and Colombia's drug cartels The best Jack Ryan adventure so far **Empire** (0800 888911) **MGMs: Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** ◪ (071-434 0031) **Plaza** ◪ (0800 888997)

◆ **FORREST GUMP** (12) Endearing if indulgent odyssey through post-war America, ideal for baby boomers With Tom Hanks. Director, Robert Zemeckis **Barbican** ◪ (071-638 8891) **Empire** ◪ (0800 888911) **MGMs: Baker St** (071-935 9772) **Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** ◪ (071-434 0031) **Phoenix** (081-883 2233) **Notting Hill Coronet** ◪ (071-727 6705) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332)

GERONIMO (12) Strangely dull account of the Apache warrior's capture from director Walter Hill With Jason Patric, Gene Hackman, Robert Duvall and Wes Studi **MGM Shaftesbury Avenue** (071-836 6279)

THE HUDSUCKER PROXY (PG) Nick becomes company boss Ritzy comic pastiche from the Coen brothers with Tim Robbins, Jennifer Jason Leigh and Paul Newman. **MGM Panton Street** (071-930 0631)

LADYBIRD LADYBIRD (18) Volatile mother versus social services Emotionally devastating drama from Ken Loach, based on a true story, with a powerful performance by Crissy Rock. **Lumiere** (071-836 0691)

CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country

v THE LION KING (U) African lion cub almost loses his father's throne Much hyped but charmless Disney cartoon, not meant for any tots **Barbican** ◪ (071-638 8891) **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Leicester Sq** (0426 915683) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **Screen/Baker St** (071-935 2772) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332)

SIRENS (15) Oxford curate and his wife mingle with Australia's bohemians Joyful, luscious romp, with Hugh Grant, Tara Fitzgerald and Elle MacPherson Directed by John Duigan **Odeon Mezzanine** ◪ (0426 915683)

◆ **SPEED** (15) Enjoyable package of thrills, with Keanu Reeves as the SWAT team daredevil faced with a bomb on an LA bus. With Sandra Bullock and Dennis Hopper **MGMs: Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **West End** (0426 915574) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332)

THREESOME (18) Shallow but smart college comedy with good quips and attractive performances (Lara Flynn Boyle, Stephen Baldwin) Director, Andrew Fleming **MGMs: Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Piccadilly** (071-437 3561) **Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Warner** ◪ (071-437 4343)

TO LIVE (12) Simple, enthralling family epic from leading Chinese director Zhang Yimou With Ge You, Gong Li **Curzon West End** (071-439 4805) **Odeon Kensington** (0426 914666) **Screen/Hill** ◪ (071-435 3566)

◆ **WHEN A MAN LOVES A WOMAN** (15) Serious, well-focused drama about alcohol abuse, detoxification and after With Meg Ryan and Andy Garcia, director, Luis Mandoki **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Mezzanine** ◪ (0426 915683) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **Warner** ◪ (071-437 4343)

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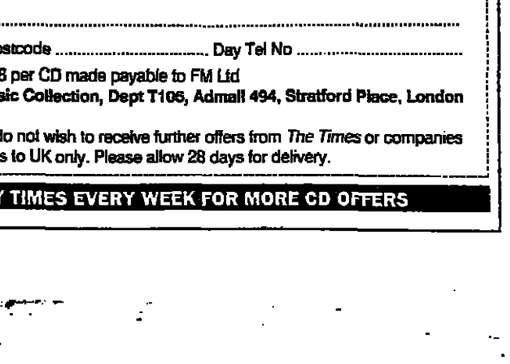
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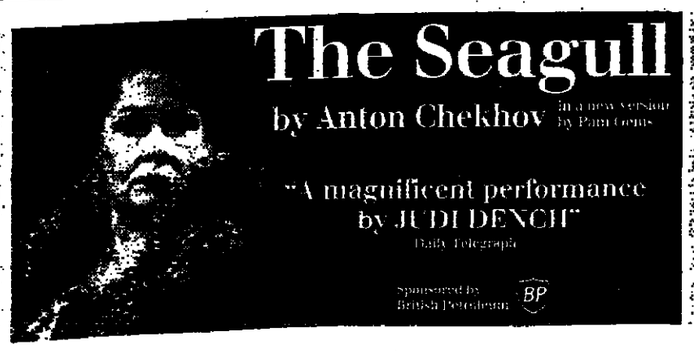
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Addicted to exercise



DAILY pictures of the Princess of Wales emerging glowing from her favourite gym have raised the eyebrows of more sedentary folk. Round-the world-walker Fiona Campbell is another puzzle, perambulating the continents for no apparent reason.

What drives these women to such extraordinary efforts? Some psychiatrists believe obsessive exercise is a form of addiction, though the mechanism by which addicts become ensnared is obscure.

Moderate exercise, however, is an excellent way of lifting depression, particularly for the elderly, according to Kenneth Fox, senior lecturer in physical education at the University of Exeter. The mere fact of exercising, regardless of fitness level, brings a glow which is partly physiological and partly psychological. Peter Brown of the Harbour Club in Hammersmith where the Princess works out agrees, saying that regular exercise is "nature's tranquilliser".

Maybe, but there can be a darker side to exercise. Women, especially those who have suffered eating disorders, can get so fond of exercise that it becomes an obsession. A study published last year in *The Journal of Behavioural Psychotherapy* found that a group of anorexics exercised four times as hard as a control group of students who had an interest in sport.



SCIENCE BRIEFING

Nigel Hawkes

The motivation at the start is to achieve the ideal shape, as it is with dieting, but in some people it can get out of control. Athletes denied their regular training because of minor injuries have been shown to suffer psychological distress, including depression, anxiety and lowered self-esteem, when compared with a control group which went on training.

Despite much speculation, it is still not clear whether the basis for exercise addiction is physiological. One theory is that intense exercise stimulates the production of brain chemicals called endorphins, hormones that attach to the same brain receptors as opium or heroin. An alternative has it that the "runner's high" is caused by release of the hormone cortisol.

Studies have shown that the fitter you are, the lower the levels of endorphins in the blood. This could mean that a fitness freak would step up daily exercise in an attempt to create the buzz, getting trapped into a repetitive cycle.

In extreme cases, according to Dr Ian Cockerill of Birmingham University's School of Sport and Exercise Science, the individual's life takes second place to the exercise. Such people have secret exercise "binges", going out at dead of night to run for a couple of hours. Then there is a risk of social isolation, long-term injury to joints, and total exhaustion.

Elementary



WHAT is the best way of ensuring immortality? Getting your name attached to an element must rank pretty high, as there are only just over 100 of them.

Picture the chagrin, then, at the California home of Glenn Seaborg, the co-discoverer of a really important element, plutonium. He was to have had his name attached to another element, 106, which exists for only a few seconds before breaking up again. Now he has been told that 106 can't be called Seaborgium, because he is still alive. Like the craters on Venus, elements can only be named after the dead, in this case Lord Rutherford.

So Rutherfordium it is, by declaration of the Commission on Nomenclature of Inorganic Chemistry, a body that owes its being to the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC). This is just the latest of a string of frustrations for Seaborg, who believes that credit for the discovery of these elements has been unfairly attributed.

Most of the elements beyond uranium were discovered in the late 1950s, in three labs — Seaborg's in Berkeley, California, and at Darmstadt in Germany and Dubna in Russia. These were Cold War days, with little co-operation, so who discovered what first became hopelessly muddled.

IUPAC and its physics counterpart, IUPAP, reviewed the evidence and reported in 1993 on primacy of discovery for each element up to 109. Seaborg and his colleague Albert Ghiorso contested the findings, saying that they were "riddled with errors of omission and commission".

None of the transuranic elements bar plutonium has yet to show any significant value to mankind. But we are talking immortality. The only snag for Dr Seaborg, now 82, is that he has to die before he can achieve it. Who said science wasn't paradoxical?

Super ovoids



AN Australian scientist has gone to work on an egg, and produced a foodstuff that improves on the handiwork of the hen. For years eggs have been under a cloud because they contain relatively high levels of cholesterol. Though fats are enemy number one to the healthy eaters, eggs have also been targeted, and a limit of three a week suggested.

Dr David Farrell, of the University of Queensland, has now produced an egg that is rich instead in the essential fatty acids usually found in fish. These omega 3 fatty acids, as they are called, have been shown in dietary studies to have a protective effect against heart disease.

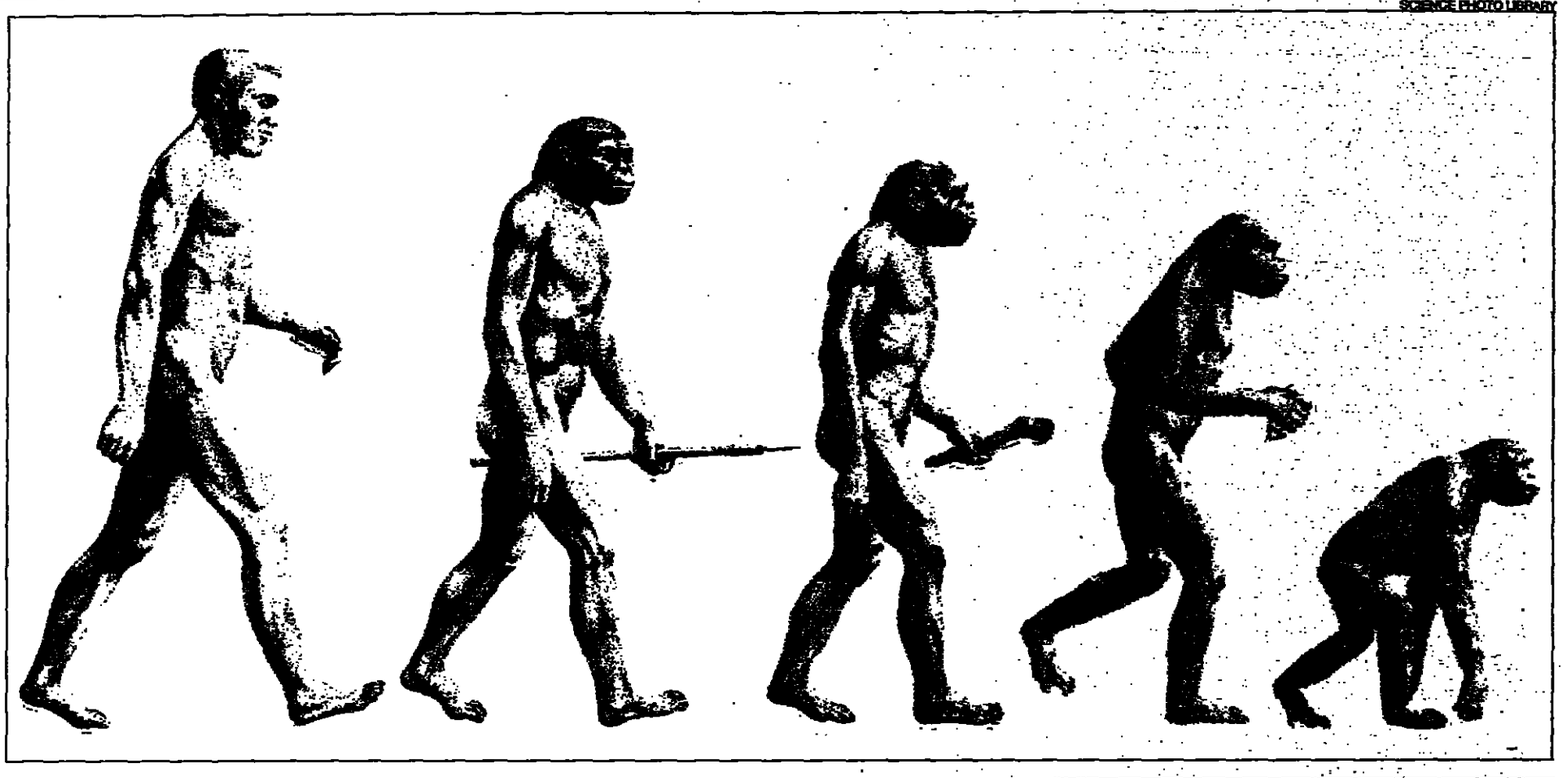
The egg's content was altered by feeding laying hens a diet rich in sources of omega 3 fatty acids and vitamin E. "The whole purpose of the project has been to redress the imbalance of fatty acids in the diet," Dr Farrell says.

Volunteers who have eaten one HeartSmart egg a day have shown no increase in their blood cholesterol. In nursing mothers, the effect of eating one of the eggs every day for a month was to raise the omega 3 content of their breast milk, which could be excellent news for their babies. Omega 3 fatty acids are considered important for baby development.

Don't the eggs taste of fish? Apparently not. "Our aim has been to develop an egg that not only provides at least 40 per cent of the recommended daily intake of omega 3, but also one indistinguishable from a normal egg," says Dr Farrell.

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Is man breeding himself back to the age of the apes?



Richard Lynn gives his controversial view of findings linking low IQ with the underclass

A cocktail of IQ, genetics, class and race makes a heady brew, and readers of Richard Herrnstein and Charles Murray's new book *The Bell Curve* (Free Press, New York) dealing with these issues will not be disappointed.

Both authors are social science heavyweights. Herrnstein is Professor of Psychology at Harvard and Murray a political scientist at the American Enterprise Institute. They argue the case that low IQ plays a significant role in many important economic and social problems, including those of chronic unemployment, single motherhood, welfare dependency and crime. To understand these problems fully, and to find the right solutions, we need to understand that low intelligence is a significant component of them.

Intelligence is measured on a scale on which the average of the population is 100 and 96 per cent of the population fall within the range of 70, the upper threshold of mental retardation, and 130, roughly the lower threshold required to get a good honours degree. Two per cent of the population fall in the IQ range of 0 — 70 and constitute the mentally retarded, while a further 2 per cent fall in the range of 130 — 200 and constitute the intellectual élite. Virtually all the readers of this article will belong to this intellectual élite or be close to it. Don't imagine the rest of the population are like you. They aren't.

Herrnstein and Murray amass a wealth of evidence to show that the IQ levels of those who constitute the major social problems are substantially subnormal. To be precise, the average IQ of the mothers of illegitimate children is 88; of chronic welfare recipients, 85; or recidivist criminals, 80; and of the long-term unemployed, 77. Collectively, these social problem groups are known as the underclass, and the bottom line is that the underclass has an intelligence deficit.

The reason why low IQ is an important component of the underclass is easily understood. Intelligence is the capacity to think through the correct solution to problems, to learn quickly and to plan one's life effectively. Those who are deficient do poorly at school, fail to acquire educational credentials and vocational skills, and are at high risk of ending up in the underclass.

The IQ deficit will not be easily solved. Intelligence is largely under genetic control. This means that the underclass is to a significant extent a genetic problem and will not be readily cured by the kinds of solution advocated by economists and politicians. Take chronic unemployment: the solution routinely advanced is more training in vocational skills. With an average IQ of 77, the chronic unemployed are not much above the level of mental retardation and many of them are below this level. The brutal truth is that many of the chronic unemployed are mentally incapable of learning the skills increasingly required in advanced industrial economies. All they are capable of is the unskilled work which is less and less in demand.

The future will be worse. For one thing, jobs will continue to become increasingly cognitively demanding and the lumpen proletariat of low IQs unable to perform them will grow in numbers. Another problem is that the social classes are becoming increasingly differentiated in terms of intelligence. We have now reached the situation where at one extreme there is an intellectual élite which intermarries and produces high IQ children. This élite hardly knows anyone with an IQ of less than 100. They have no experience of people with below average IQs and no comprehension of the limited mental capacities of ordinary people, let alone of the intellectually subnormal.

Conversely, at the other social extreme there is an increasingly interbred low IQ underclass which produces low IQ children manifesting multiple social pathologies. This process is already familiar in British social science as the cycle of deprivation, although the research into the cycle activated by Sir Keith Joseph soft-pedalled any suggestion that genetic inadequacies might be involved.

Herrnstein and Murray are frank about this and argue that because intelligence is significantly under genetic control, the differentiation of the social classes has increasingly acquired a genetic basis brought about by the segregation of the genes for high intelligence in the higher social classes and the genes for low intelligence in the underclass.

> Inner cities will become ghettos of crime and poverty

The threat to social cohesion posed by the underclass is exacerbated by racial division. In the United States the average IQ of blacks is 15 points below that of whites, and 16 per cent of blacks have an IQ of below 70 and are mentally retarded, as compared with only 2 per cent of whites. There are therefore many more blacks in the low IQ range being sucked into the underclass.

Herrnstein and Murray have reached the conclusion, increasingly held by other experts in this field, that genetic factors are significantly involved in the low black IQ. Furthermore, the black underclass is growing in numbers, partly as a result of high fertility and partly through immigration. This means that the problem of the black underclass is likely to get worse in the future.

The authors' vision of the future is of Western societies becoming increasingly fractionated on the basis of intelligence. One of the major divisions will be between those who are sufficiently intelligent to work and an underclass lacking the requisite intelligence. The underclass will turn more and more to crime because it has little to lose.

The crime problem will grow and those who work will respond by moving to safe areas. Increasingly they will live in secure estates protected by fences and security guards, such as those which have sprung up in America. The heartlands of the underclass in the inner cities will be abandoned by everyone capable of working.

There is a further problem. There is one thing the underclass is good at and that is producing children. These children tend to inherit their parents' poor intelligence and adopt their sociopathic lifestyle, reproducing the cycle of deprivation from generation to generation. The underclass has more children than the rest of society. This is another reason why it will expand in numbers and become increasingly troublesome.

It is a bleak analysis but one convincingly documented and brilliantly expounded. The social threat of the growing underclass will not be easily solved, but at least in focusing on the low IQ dimension Herrnstein and Murray have pinpointed an important constituent of the problem.

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Dilemma of the editor

Who knows when researchers lie?

SINCE the 18th century, scientists have announced their discoveries by writing for a scientific journals. When Crick and Watson discovered the structure of DNA, they sat down and wrote a paper for the best known scientific journal, *Nature*.

But how did the journal decide to publish their paper? Perhaps it was wrong — based on flawed data or faulty analysis. How could the editor decide? In this case there can have been no doubt. Usually, however, it is not easy to separate out truth from error.

There are approximately 25,000 biomedical journals, so no editor could hope to keep up with the pace and complexity of scientific investigation. Another problem is the pressure to publish. Academic preferment, reputation and promotion depend upon publication, and quantity matters more than quality — known in the trade as "publish or perish".

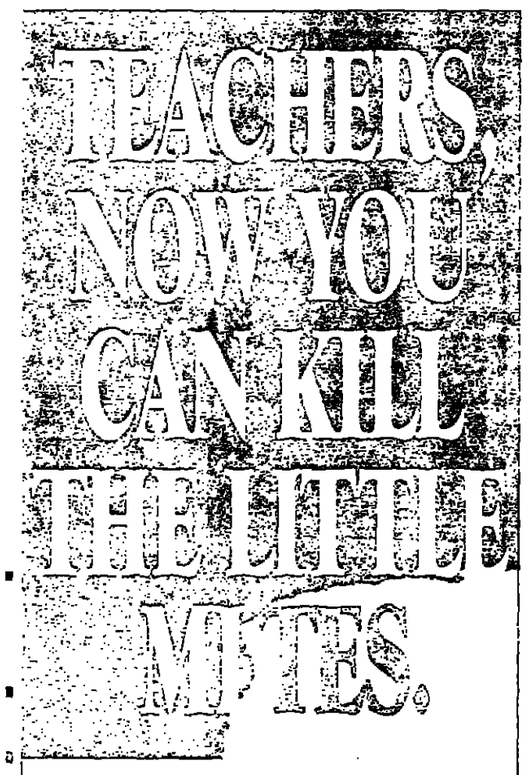
Decisions about what to publish are made through the peer review system. Papers submitted to a journal will be sent to one or more specialists in that field, who will be asked for an opinion. The advantage of this system is that the editor can be guided by technical advice and experience which no single person can possess.

The system is, however, far from perfect. Eventually even the poorest paper will find a publisher. Last week an international meeting was convened by Richard Smith, editor of the *British Medical Journal* to discuss research into the process of peer review.

THE options, however, are limited. Using professional statisticians, refereeing the referees, removing the names of authors from the papers (so that the referee cannot be influenced by the author's reputation, whether good or bad), are all potential improvements, but the peer-review process itself remains unchallenged.

Fundamentally, scientific research depends upon the integrity of the person reporting his own data and the referee reviewing it. It is for that reason scientific fraud remains the ultimate professional sin.

DR SIMON WESSELY



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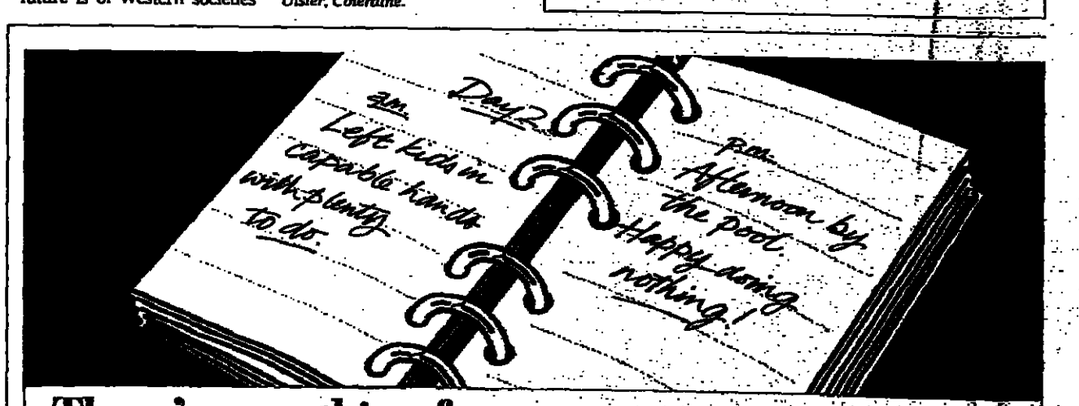
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Richard Lynn: warning

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RICHARD Lynn, of the Department of Psychology at the University of Ulster in Coleraine, is no stranger to controversy. Last year he appeared in court to defend the smacking of children, in a case in which a child-minder who had been struck off a council's list was seeking reinstatement.
He has worked on the effects of nutrition on intelligence, and recently published a paper suggesting that men are significantly more intelligent than women. This prompted an unusual disclaimer from the university, pointing out that Professor Lynn spoke for himself and not for the university as a whole. His classes have been picketed by students protesting that he has accepted grants from a New York fund, the Pioneer Fund, which they suspect of supporting right-wing causes.



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The fall of Walesa

Has Poland's President become merely a pathetic tinpot dictator?

Roger Boyes reports on the end of a dream in Warsaw

Lech Walesa is in trouble again. Poles call the former strike leader a tinpot dictator, his popularity has plunged and there is little left of the revolutionary myth. His latest escapade as Polish President — a largely ceremonial role — is to seek the sacking of the Defence Minister and shake up the state broadcasting authority. Despite four years in democratic office, he still behaves like one of his early political enemies: Edward Gierek, the hard-nosed Communist Party chief during the 1970s. There is the same dependence on courtiers, the same distaste for parliament, a compulsion to control television, the worker-politician instinct for steering crowds. Could Walesa be turning into the man he destroyed? Is the "dictatorship of the proletariat" being replaced by a dictatorship of the proletarian?

I have been watching Walesa for some 13 years, ever since *The Times* sent me to Warsaw to cover the Solidarity revolution. He has physically changed of course: once a lean, unruly terrier of a man, he has become flabby with crags and billows of flesh around his jaws and cheeks. The moustache, his hallmark, has greyed and thinned. But the anger and restlessness of the 1980 striker is still evident. He has moved from the barricades to the presidential palace, yet retains the impatience of a revolutionary.

> He has a genius for destruction which he cannot rein back

After the 1989-90 upheavals the question arose: do revolutionary heroes really exist or are they mere propaganda artefacts? Lenin, knocked off his pedestal; that cold fish Robespierre; the erratic Danton: none of the obvious candidates stand much historical examination. By contrast Walesa, who broke the spine of communist rule in Eastern Europe, seems to have called at all the biographical pit-stops expected of a true insurgent.

A hated, abusive stepfather; problems at school and with women; a good, loyal worker who became embittered by poor working conditions; a friend of dissidents; a strike leader; a union organiser; a political challenger and a political prisoner; a secret negotiator; and, finally or almost finally, President. Yet this life, with its astonishing passages, does not quite convince. It is full of strange, unexplained episodes, obscured rather than illuminated by Walesa's own ghosted memoirs, his many hagiographers and the myth-makers in the closed suspicious circle that swaddles him in the palace.

Walesa plainly has a talent, even a genius, for destruction which he has not been able to rein back, even as head of state. But why and how he chooses to exercise this talent is the object of some fascination. To uncover these patters is to answer the question about Walesa's heroic credentials.

The critical moment was in the autumn of 1989. Two factors determined Polish political life in those odd months. First, neighbouring communist regimes were crashing like airliners with defective engines. Second, Lech Walesa had a headache. Walesa was always offhand with interviewers and often tried to dramatise his indifference. Oriana Fallaci had been forced to interview Walesa in his bathtub. It was easy enough to forgive this rudeness — an impatience with protocol and form is part of the revolutionary temperament. Even so, he was particularly brusque when we met in the Gdansk Solidarity offices that October. "What do you want — make it snappy!" He did not give the impression of a happy man. The Springtime of Nations, the collapse of dictators in the East, the jubilant politics of the piazza in Prague, even in dour East Germany, all this merely deepened Walesa's depression.

He had been particularly unpleasant to his aides — his press spokesman was later to be denounced as a "louse"; he barked at his sons. On Saturday afternoons he would stride into the garden of his new villa and dig furiously with a spade. The reason was simple enough. The telephone should have been ringing, and it was not. It was Walesa who had put together the first non-communist government in Eastern Europe and the first dissident-turned-premier, Tadeusz Mazowiecki, was his creation. Yet Walesa was barely being considered by Warsaw. The Sejm was behaving like a free parliament and was beginning to accrue real power. And Mazowiecki was building up his own powerbase, separate from parliament and miles away from Walesa's office. "I put them where they are and they would do well to remember it," barked Walesa during our talk that autumn. "Study the opinion polls — I'm top of every list."

It was then that he decided to tear Solidarity apart. His later presidential campaign lost him friends and allies, splintered the Right — Poland should have been a natural home for a genuine Christian Democratic party — and alienated the Pope. Something snapped in him in his last year of internment in 1982. He had always needed people around him, buzzing with ideas, pushing him into thought. For a man who does not read books, personal contacts are critical. But that year of isolation — in a comfortable hunting lodge far away from the rest of the Solidarity prisoners — robbed him of his easy self-confidence. After his release, in the difficult seven years of semi-legal opposition that preceded 1989, he changed as a man.



Lech Walesa: a lean, unruly terrier run to fat and surrounded with courtiers

Women noticed it first. He was simply not attractive anymore: he tried to flirt as he used to but he no longer possessed the Lightness of Being. The girlfriends of 1980 no longer figured in his life, but relations with his doughty wife Danuta did not improve as a result. He sunk into himself.

By the time he became President in 1990, Walesa was a confused man, still cocky and assertive but at critical moments unsure of his judgment. He had grasped a kind of power which should have completed the revolutionary cycle. But he did not know what to do with it. While the grand Belvedere Palace was being prepared, Walesa moved into a bachelor ménage with his father confessor, Franciszek Cybula and his former chauffeur Mieczyslaw Wachowski. In their different, inadequate ways the two men tried to solve the riddle of power for Walesa.

Watching television together, playing cards and swapping bawdy jokes they would edge towards a serious discussion. Father Cybula, slow-witted but fiercely loyal to Walesa, suggested that as President of Poland he could be the Pope's trusty in the East, defender of the faith, a moral arbiter, protector of true Poles. Wachowski, a tough, competitive hard drinker, saw power in the terms of a banana republic. Power was control of the army, the secret police (including the sensitive archives), foreign policy (especially relations with Russia) and the propaganda machine. In theory, the constitution gave Walesa a say in all these areas: he had a vague "guiding" role over internal and external security, had a say in the composition of the state broadcasting authority.

> He still tries to flirt — but the girls are not interested

Wachowski is the key to understanding the man that Walesa has become. The conspiracy theorists in Poland say that he has a secret-police background and deduce that Walesa is in some way being manipulated by an old guard of policemen and communists. This makes for a good yarn, a Slav opera of deceit, national betrayal and evil genius. One of the 1980 strike organisers I talked to was convinced that Walesa deliberately allowed secret agents to be placed in his milieu from the very outset. "It was a form of dialogue, an extra channel for passing information to the authorities."

Wachowski, who certainly has mysterious blanks in his biography, neither denies nor confirms the stories: he simply does not talk. Wachowski's role is a broad one in an overwhelmingly sycophantic court. A Polish politician once observed him bringing Walesa his carpet slippers. But he is more than a lapdog. It is Wachowski who reads aloud to Walesa the text of bills and treaties — Walesa himself finds it difficult to concentrate on the small print. He reports on politicians' private lives, soaks up gossip, has first view of classified intelligence presented to the President, talks regularly with army generals and is the only man allowed to wake up Walesa in a crisis. His mimicry of Walesa's visitors is cruel and accurate and amuses the court at dinner time before Walesa retires to his chambers to solve crossword puzzles and listen to the radio.

And Wachowski runs the presidential palace as thoroughly as any chamberlain. He once ordered a bodyguard to pick up a piece of litter. The guard refused, there was an argument. That evening Wachowski invited the guard into the main body of the palace for a vodka or three. The guard left in the early hours after back-slapping promises of eternal friendship. Wachowski then rang up the guard commander and informed him that one of his men was roaming drunk around the presidential corridors. The guard was dishonourably discharged.

Such is life at court in the new post-communist Europe. There are more intellectual figures in the Walesa circle but none can really compete with the taxi-driver Rasputin. His influence however is not based on some sinister puppet mastery. Rather he is the holder of the presidential secret. And that secret (it can now be revealed) is that there is no secret. Walesa is living the emptiest of lives, filled with early-morning Mass, endless games of ping-pong and snooker, time on the exercise bike, solid regular meals and a long after-lunch siesta.

There are sudden bursts of activity — such as the present bid to destabilise the soft communist government of Waldemar Pawlak — followed by much longer periods of mindless routine. His engagement schedule is more modest than any minor British royal. Only Wachowski fully understands this, for he alone dogs his master's every footstep. And Wachowski, remarkably reticent for a taxi driver, keeps silent.

Loneliness is thus translating into political isolation. Danuta has refused to live in Warsaw with her husband, claiming at first that she had to see their daughter, Magda, through ballet school. A career in the ballet, she suggested, may be short but it was likely to last longer than a presidential term. Now Magda has graduated and there are no more excuses.

Danuta simply finds it difficult to live with her husband. Walesa trusts and respects her more than most of his whispering courtiers yet the pull of power is too great. He will run for re-election next year. If he wins, say his friends, he may well lose his wife. Perhaps Walesa will pull a rabbit out of the hat, perhaps some new international crisis will emerge that will bring out the best in Walesa and his improvisational skills.

It is difficult to resist the idea, though, that Walesa has wasted one presidential term and would squander a second. Perhaps the defining aspect of revolutionary heroes is that they know when to stop, to complete a task and withdraw.

● *Roger Boyes's* The Naked President — A Political Life of Lech Walesa *is published by Secker & Warburg at £20.*

A generation that never had to say no

The decade of freebies is over — and it is time so say so loudly

INNOCENCE is a terrible handicap. "Damn!" we cry. "If only we had *known* you could buy MPs! We could have clubbed together with the Wilkinses and got the idle sod to put some effort into the bypass. Do you think they do *mail-order?*"

But of course, it was never that simple. All weekend, journalists have been writing about the perils of corporate hospitality and free minibars and "facility trips", and insisting that they, personally, have never had their integrity compromised by any of the loan cars, dream holidays, cases of claret or upgrades to Club class which come their way. Journalists are, for once, suitably expert commentators: we know all about bribes-in-kind.

My own theory is that the answer is perfectly straightforward, though embarrassing. It is to be open, like an old-fashioned girl who, on receiving a mink, exclaims that it won't get her into bed (or, I suppose with equal openness admits that it will). At the simplest level, if invited — say — to write up a free holiday, you do three things. You get your article firmly commissioned before you accept, by a periodical which knows that it is free: you ensure either that the gift holiday is one you are likely to enjoy, or else that the giver knows that you are an ungrateful cleverclogs who will whinge publicly about the noisy plumbing: and you publish the fact that you were a "guest".



LIBBY PURVES

If you are in business and someone sends you a bottle of malt, you ring up and say thanks, old boy, but what exactly were you wanting? When they stammer about goodwill, you tell them they must be mad to waste their money on anything so nebulous. Then, the air duly cleared, you drink it. And if you are an MP unaccountably offered a garden pond or a week in the Paris Ritz, you make sure the world and your benefactor are openly told what you offer in return.

In other words, you turn it down, because such a deal would be preposterous. It is only the seven veils of gentlemanly discretion which ever made it seem anything else.

Interestingly, these seven veils are not just there to deceive onlookers. They help you to deceive yourself. The freebie-culture of certain professions — journalism, showbiz, PR — causes people to start believing, against all reason, that they *shouldn't have to pay full price for anything.*

They start out with the harmless conviction that all ball-point pens come free in press packs: and end up genuinely believing that, like Queen Mary demanding gifts from her hosts, they deserve tribute just for being themselves.

This belief flourished in the 1980s, at a time when politics was becoming intertwined with showbusiness as never before. It is no surprise that MPs rising through the backbenches at that time caught it. Journalists, television presenters, minor celebs certainly did.

"You've bought a computer? God, you never paid the dealer price, did you? I've got mine on permanent-loan, I give it the odd mention . . . The new car? I told this chap I might be doing a Me and My Wheels feature, got 30 per cent . . . We're furnishing the holiday house, thought we'd run a sort of series on it, week-by-week, so Natasha's put some calls in . . ." And so on, as if the full price, like taxes, was something "only little people pay".

The real corruption is not the scrounging — anyone is entitled to be a cheeky beggar — but the pretence that it isn't happening. The harm lies in the gentlemanliness, the deliberate lack of clarity about what is being bought and sold. Some still prefer a clear and open deal or no deal: they say things like: "Are you sure you're happy about my having the campervan for a fortnight? It's only a 250-word review." But if you do, you are made to feel naive and churlish.

DID young MPs in the 1980s feel the same way? Were they led, gift by gift, into the Big Lie that they *deserve* presents? Was that how it happened that, at the dog-end of that strange decade, a real live Government Minister left a beautiful leather coat in my kitchen, and that when I looked inside it said "A very happy Christmas from all at the Really Useful Group"? And that when I gave it back to him he was not even embarrassed?

He thought he deserved it, as an idol deserves incense. He was confident that idols never get the bill. He may be right. Others were, disastrously, wrong.

The world according to John Irving

Julia Llewellyn Smith meets the master of the bizarre

I am in Claridge's hotel, London, taking tea with the author John Irving when a bear galumphs across the room, settles in an alcove and starts tinkling on a harp. In the corner, a dwarf is sharing a plate of scones with an Austrian terrorist, and a second glance at that woman's lapdog reveals that the animal has been dead for three years and stuffed for posterity.

None of this really happens, of course. In fact, the most outrageous feature of our meeting is that we are charged £30 for a pot of tea. But it seems a shame to encounter the creator of such whimsical best-sellers as *The World According to Garp, The Hotel New Hampshire* and *A Prayer for Owen Meaney* in any other circumstances.

JULIAN HERBERT



John Irving: "Can you ever get sick of hearing how much people love your books?"

Irving's territory is that no-man's land between the humdrum and the bizarre. His T.S. Garp has a cosy, suburban existence infiltrated by feminists who have cut their tongues out, and unicycling bears.

Bears pop up again, this time on a motorbike, in the tale of the Berry family, whose Hotel New Hampshire is a hotbed of incest, taxidermy and terrorism. Owen Meaney is a mystic midget, with an unbroken voice and a fondness for a stuffed armadillo.

Irving's latest novel, *A Son of the Circus*, is the history of Dr Farroukh Daravalla, an Indian expatriate who returns to a Bombay populated by serial killers and trans-sexuals, circus dwarfs and homosexual twins, a rabid chimpanzee and a dildo-wielding hippy. The book's sales are ensured.

Since 1978, when *Garp* acquired cult status and sold 3.8 million books in America alone, Irving's novels have been guaranteed best-sellers. Success shows. Irving, in green cords and cardigan, a Paisley tie and sports jacket, looks as if he has stepped out of a Ralph Lauren lifestyle catalogue. His grey hair is blow-dried immaculately, his face is tanned and suspiciously smooth for a man of 52, not, I would guess, thanks to the surgeon's knife, but to a lifelong passion for wrestling and other physical pursuits. He is horrified to hear from his publicist that he will not have time to bath and change before his launch party. "I mean, I had a shower after the gym this morning — but, oh, well, all right . . ."

He lives in Vermont, with his second wife, Janet (a literary agent, also perfectly turned out) and their three-year-old son Everett. This is his first visit to England for five and a half years, the time it took him to write his 633-page novel.

"My sons [he has two adult children from his first marriage] live on the West Coast, so there is a certain amount of travel between there and home and Toronto for Janet's work. The thought of adding a vacation to that is unthinkable."

Irving is a serious guy. While his characters philosophise and philander, their inventor is too busy worrying about their problems to be concerned about his own. "I find I have very little time to be self-reflective."

He spends so long on each book that he finds it "frankly exhilarating" occasionally to venture into the outside world and discuss the creations he almost regards as friends.

Authors always moan about book critics not doing their homework, but Irving goes one step further, refusing to grant an audience to anyone who cannot swear to have read every word of his latest work. "I really like the process of telling a story," he says, twitching irritatingly. "It's frustrating to talk about writing in the abstract if you are talking to someone who doesn't understand your references."

Telling a story is the key to his popularity. Irving has no time for semi-autobiographical, sensitive volumes, and declare that nobody would want to read about his own boring life. Instead, he relies on his prodigious imagination to produce vast, bawdy volumes, with epic casts, and numerous subplots, pieced together like a jigsaw.

"It's mischief I guess," Irving says, sipping his Darjeeling. "But my strategy is only informed from what pleasure I remember taking as a reader, whether from Dickens or Rushdie, Marquez, Robertson Davies or Grass. All these writers are mysterious, manipulative; their narratives are like snakes that double back on themselves.

"They are all telling those 19th-century labyrinthine tales, but they are also all comic. I find that a necessary stimulant. If you don't think these books are funny they are terrible. There are no surprises therefore that every writer such as this is going to have great fans, great appreciators and at the same time you are going to have great enemies."

I had not even suggested that Irving had enemies, which only shows how much they, and their refusal to equate huge sales with literary merit, rankle.

So does Irving feel any nostalgia for the days before *Garp*? "Oh no. I'm not complaining about how nasty it is. Can you ever get sick of hearing how much people love your books? It's wonderful. You just have to be understanding that if you are an extremely popular writer there is an iconoclastic cultural commissar who will pick on anything that's popular."

Irving's fault, say his critics, is that he attempts to arrange the chaos that is real life into beginnings, middles and ends. He starts a novel by deciding on a conclusion and then works backwards. Visitors describe his home as pathologically well-ordered.

"Plot is control," Irving agrees. "People don't live their lives in an organised way: the King dies and the Queen, instead of dying of grief, as she would in a story, dies a few years later. But to me plot is the central artistic device of the novel.

"If I were a painter I would not be an abstract painter. I might have my characters doing unseemly things, but if I could not draw a face or a body, then I would not be a painter. If I couldn't make up a story I wouldn't be a writer. A novel without plot seems an interesting piece of writing but it's not a novel." A few million readers would agree.

● *A Son of the Circus (Bloomsbury, £15.00).*

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Matthew Parris



■ Political reporters hunt in a pack, and dare not risk an opinion too far out of line with the consensus

Who it was that said "we live under a government of men and morning newspapers" I do not know, but I am becoming more convinced by the day that it is true.

I depend upon this for my livelihood of course. The current fuss about "sleaze" brought me last week no fewer than 19 offers of paid employment giving my own commentary in print or on radio and on television programmes. Were I more astute, I reckon I could have made at least as much money commenting on a Tory minister's weekend at the Ritz as the holiday itself is said to have cost.

So writing this may be sawing at the bough on which I sit, for newspapers are my living. But I hate the way we "set the agenda"; I hate the way we select the evidence: I hate the hypocrisy with which we demand in others standards we do not ourselves observe: and more than anything I hate the way we collude together.

For political journalists, you see, there are no facts: or, rather, there are so many facts that you may, by selection and emphasis, build from them almost any picture you like.

Take the royal story currently being played for our massed readership. Few (I imagine) think Prince Charles unusually sinful. The "row" turns not on his virtue but on his judgment. The press criticises him for volunteering to us the rest of what we had only partly succeeded (by telephone tapping) in stealing from him. The effrontery of it!

We might have treated the story very differently. We might have given it far less prominence. We might have offered equal space to the view (held, in fact, by many) that his candour can be justified. And we might have refrained from ringing round MPs and other busybodies until we could find (as you always can) somebody to declare the thing a massive constitutional crisis, and then proceeding to treat it as such.

This approach would have been no more, or less, "news maniuplation" than the approach that has been widely adopted by the press. The candyfloss world of royal commentary permits the assemblage "from a cartload of available facts and opinions" of almost any story you choose. Or rather that we, the press, choose.

We all did choose: we chose the same story. It was calculated to provoke the very "crisis" we predicted, so vindicating our initial criticisms of Prince Charles's judgment. Few will be found now to think that his candour was justified.

Like one of Karl Popper's pseudo-sciences, political commentary, in which commentators collude, comes close to being unfalsifiable. Unconsciously, we know this. It is why we collude.

The other big story of the season is an equally powerful example. We are all (it seems) so unanimously agreed that the Government is floundering beneath a wave of sleaze that even if it weren't, it would be soon. But the only thing of which there is really a wave is newspaper articles about corruption in the last Government: Mrs Thatcher's. Some of these stories are a decade old. Some of them are already known. Things poor old Dale Campbell-Savours, MP, has been banging on about for years, failing to interest us before now. There is little evidence of growing sleaze in John Major's Government and some evidence of a diminution since the departure of his predecessor.

I wish you could have been with me in the press enclosures in Blackpool and later in Bournemouth, when journalists on different papers — but all working in the same room — were deciding what we were going to say about Tony Blair's speech and then John Major's. Columnists go nervously up to each other, each trying to elicit the other's opinion first. Gradually — often influenced by a couple of powerful opinions — a consensus emerges. It is amazing how compelling this then becomes.

> Political comment is self-fulfilling: we agree a story, and sure enough it is news

You might have dozed, with me, through long and often dreadful sections of Blair's speech, or winced at its hollow and meretricious phrasing . . . but soon you would begin to believe you really did think it a triumph, at the time. You might have despaired at Major's flat delivery and groaned at a text which was far too long . . . but when you heard from everyone else that this was a marvellously relaxed personal testimony — well, maybe it was.

In about 18 months' time, the story we will all (unconsciously) resolve to run will be "Blair — the Bubble Bursts". Unconsciously we are building him up — and reconstructing Major — for that day. When it dawns, the story will appear to be the news.

So there is a constitutional crisis about the monarchy, is there? Tories are fighting for their lives beneath a barrage of sleaze, are they? For myself, I look forward to the day when "Chinese walls" of the kind they have in the City, are erected around commentators, insulating us from each other's views. Until then, I shall just keep reminding myself of the words of my late grandfather: "Whenever I read about a wave of public indignation, I am filled with a massive calm."

Rather than fighting the emerging low-cost economies of Asia, the Japanese are investing in them

How Japan plans to stay ahead

William Rees-Mogg

In the late 18th and early 19th centuries, there were plenty of foreigners who came to London and wrote letters back home, or made entries in their diaries, expressing wonder and amazement at the new industrial world the British had created. In the 1980s, people went to Tokyo and marvelled in much the same way at the new economic power of Japan. In the past four years, that view has been less fashionable. The growth of the Chinese economy, though from a much lower starting level, has been the revolutionary event of the whole Pacific area. Japan has been suffering a long and severe recession following the exaggerated boom of the later 1980s. Japanese banks are still loaded with bad debts. Now the traveller returns to Tokyo, where I have been in the past few days, wondering whether Japan is at the beginning of the next miracle, or whether the Japanese century has turned out to be only a decade long.

Certainly there is a debate about this in Japan itself. Many businessmen fear that the strong yen has become self-defeating: the Japanese government would certainly like it lower. Last Friday, after a few mildly indiscreet words from Lloyd Bentsen, the yen reached an all-time high; it is now well below 100 yen to the dollar, although purchasing power parity would be about 200. The Tokyo pessimists believe that this is already leading to the horrors of deflation, deindustrialisation and massive, if concealed, unemployment.

These Japanese pessimists have a case. Inflation has been so completely defeated in Japan that prices are actually falling in the shops. For the first time, salaries have fallen as well, even if the reduction is a small one. Despite the recession, imports have been rising. In 1990, Japan exported 3.7 million colour television sets and imported only 1.1 million. In the first seven months of 1994, Japan exported 2.1 million sets but imported 3.3 million. The imported sets are cheaper, both in price and quality, and they are built mainly in overseas factories owned by Japanese companies. Yet for Japan to become a large net importer of television sets is an economic portent.

The automobile industry still demonstrates the amazing strength of the Japanese economy. Japanese vehicles, manufactured inside or outside Japan, have 93 per cent of the Japanese market, 86 per cent of the East Asian, 30 per cent of the North American and 15 per cent of the European markets. Although the weak dollar and the recovery in the United States have helped worldwide sales of American vehicles to overtake the Japanese for the first time since 1979, Japan is completely dominant in East Asia, the world's fastest growing vehicle market. Toyota is opening a one-million-car factory in China, and Honda is converting motorcycle plants in China to manufacture cars on a similar scale.

The cost of a Chinese worker in the new Toyota factory is $35 a month; the cost of a German car worker in a Volkswagen factory in Germany is $30 an hour. The Japanese have a national policy, developed successfully over decades, of responding to Asian labour costs differentials. European powers are still floundering in search of such a policy, and the United States has an utterly disastrous policy, that of the weak dollar.

Japan's policy is based on high savings, massive exports and a large external surplus. This combination naturally produces a highly valued yen. The Japanese use the high exchange rate to invest their savings in the low-labour-cost countries of Asia, even when, as with television sets, the new factories compete directly with Japanese domestic industry. They plan in this way to ride the successive waves of Asian industrial competition, rather than be submerged by them; they depend on the strength of their capital position to be able to follow this policy. Their advantage is rather like that of Britain in the late 19th century; after we had ceased to be the workshop of the world we became the financiers to the world; that was the second phase of British economic leadership.

Japan now dominates the world's capital markets to an extraordinary degree. The United States, which still has much the largest economy in the world, consumes 45 per cent of world capital imports; Japan produces 80 per cent of world capital exports. The contrast makes the United States almost a financial indentured servant of Japan, wholly dependent on Japan's continuing to supply on favourable terms the capital which the Americans are so recklessly consuming. That is why the Americans "lost" the trade negotiations with Japan (apart from the fact that the Japanese used the same negotiating team throughout while the Americans changed theirs repeatedly).

Japan cannot be expected to continue giving such priority to financing the budget and payment deficits of the United States. There are two strong reasons for this. The fall of the dollar has already cost the Japanese enormous sums of money: this year alone the decline in the dollar relative to the yen has been a multiple of the interest received on American bonds. The United States is a borrower which expects to pay low interest, but will only return part of the capital. That is not welcome to the Japanese. Even if the dollar is now stabilised, or starts to recover, it will take years to regain Japanese confidence.

The second reason is that the returns from Asian development are so much more attractive. If, in yen terms, investment in America has produced a negative return of 5-10 per cent, direct investment in China, Indonesia, Malaysia and other Asian countries has produced a positive return of 10-20 per cent. The Japanese are increasing their investment in Asia, which also protects their future share of world industrial markets. The latest survey shows that total overseas investment by Japanese companies is expected to be approximately stable in 1994, but their investment in Asia is planned to increase by more than a quarter.

The industrial development of their own Asian region is bound to be the central theme of the coming decades for the Japanese. Japan is by far the richest advanced industrial nation in the Asian area, yet that area has the fastest economic development in the world and the greatest economic potential. Japan can contribute capital, technology and markets, and still retain management control of its direct investments.

Such a strategy is not open to Europe, a distant and high-cost economy which does not generate any comparable surplus of capital. Nor is this strategy open to the United States, which has destroyed confidence in the dollar and cannot finance its own capital needs, let alone those of Asia. Once again the Japanese seem to have got it right. They made the best response of any nation to the post-war opportunities of industrial development, and they are now making a powerful contribution to the great economic revolution which is taking place in Asia. This is the greatest shift of wealth and power in the history of the world economy. Japan has a very unusual advantage: at the time when its fellow Asian countries have this unique need for capital, Japan is uniquely capable of providing it.

Marching out in front

Tony Blair has a new tune, but his party is not yet in harmony, writes

Peter Riddell



The political leader whom Tony Blair most resembles is Margaret Thatcher. Their strategic predicament is the same. Lady Thatcher knew where she wanted to lead the Tories in the mid-1970s, as Mr Blair now knows where he wants to lead Labour. But their parties lagged, and lag, well behind. Until well after she became Prime Minister, she was ahead of most of her senior colleagues, just as Mr Blair is now in advance of many in his Shadow Cabinet as he seeks to turn Labour into a new party.

Of course, Lady Thatcher and Mr Blair have different personalities and policies. She preferred conviction politics to consensus, while he wants to be part of a new consensus. But both are unusual among party leaders. Most of them do not lead, but follow, party opinion. They are managers, like Harold Wilson, John Major or John Smith, who look at the political signposts and steer a middle course to preserve party unity. Circumstance as well as personality may dictate such a strategy. The depth of the Tory split over Europe, for instance, has left Mr Major with little choice but to balance the various factions.

Mr Blair has consciously chosen to confront his party with home truths rather than to be conciliatory. It has quickly been forgotten how isolated he was only six months ago in pressing the modernisers' programme. He was frustrated with the conservatism and inertia of the party. These forces have not disappeared. Admittedly, Mr Blair won the votes of far more members of Labour's Shadow Cabinet when he became leader than Lady Thatcher did from the Tory Shadow Cabinet when she was elected Conservative leader in 1975, but many of them voted for him because they thought he could produce electoral victory, rather than because they agreed with his views.

The constraints on Mr Blair were shown by last week's elections to the Shadow Cabinet. He must curse the increase in its size during the 1980s from 12 to 18. Before 1979, Labour leaders could at least bring in other talented people. But Mr Blair is now largely bound by the choices of Labour MPs, whose votes each autumn are not solely, or even mainly, related to performance, but also reflect friendships, regional ties, personal favours and political alliances. There is a bias in favour of the status quo. Labour MPs last week re-elected all the existing team, duds and all — apart from replacing Tom Clarke with Gavin Strang. Mr Blair did not have enough strong performers to fill the important posts — even though as many as six have Whitehall experience as junior ministers or whips in the Callaghan Government.

The key to the Labour reshuffle was the strengthening of the position of Gordon Brown, the Shadow Chancellor. His critics have been shifted to non-economic posts, to be replaced by allies such as Harriet Harman at Employment, and Andrew Smith, who was promoted to Shadow Chief Secretary. The latter did not even stand in the elections, but impressed by a paper he wrote on European monetary union. Jack Cunningham, moved reluctantly to Trade and Industry, is likely to be independent of Mr Brown, but broadly shares his views.

The largely unappreciated result is that critics of Mr Brown's approach are now responsible for big spending portfolios: David Blunkett at Education, Margaret Beckett at Health and Michael Meacher at Transport. Although Mrs Beckett has always been firm in resisting spending commitments, this line-up promises conflict over Mr Brown's attempt to change Labour's tax-and-spending image.

A related weakness is Labour's urgent need to rethink its policies on public services. The party has been largely reactive, reflecting the views of public-sector unions in condemning Government changes, rather than jumping ahead on the basis of the more decentralised management in schools and hospitals. Mr Blunkett has at times since 1992 been more imaginative at Health, and promises to be more original than Ann Taylor was at Education.

These dilemmas will be brought to a head today by the report of the Social Justice Commission, a semi-independent group set up by John Smith to review the welfare state. Labour leaders praise its analysis of the change in the labour market, from being dominated by male heads of households working full-time, to a more fragmented state, with more women and part-time workers. Mr Blair will welcome the aim of assisting more people into work, but he is more cautious about some of the proposals, and will stress that they are not Labour policy. This is to head off Tory attempts to turn every suggestion into an expensive new spending commitment. While the Labour Left feared that the commission would abandon universal benefits, some modernisers have the opposite worry, that there is not enough new thinking and that there is too much emphasis on higher benefits. Mr Brown has reservations about some specific ideas on shifting people from welfare into work, and will produce his own alternative before the Budget.

Tony Blair's attempt to change Labour's approach has been symbolised by his plan to rewrite Clause Four of the party's constitution on its objectives. The narrow reaffirmation of the existing Clause Four at the Labour conference was a propaganda defeat for him, and a sign that he needs to do more to rally local and union support. The general assumption is still that he and John Prescott, the deputy leader and self-styled voice of the party, will produce a new statement of aims, which will be approved by next year's conference. But this will not be straightforward. The trickiest passage will concern public ownership. At the Blackpool conference, Mr Blair said that the railways and the Post Office should stay in public ownership. But where will the line be drawn? There will be strong union pressure for public ownership to be extended to other utilities which have been privatised. Or will a reference to control through tighter regulation be enough? The precise wording will be a key test of the extent of change.

The question now is not about Mr Blair's intentions, but about whether he can deliver. Lady Thatcher had the advantage that Conservatives in the country were on her side. Mr Blair still has to educate and win over his party.

RIDDELL ON MONDAY

Hooray, Henry

THEY WILL be choking on the cigars in clubland. Eton's new Head Master, John Lewis, is considering taking girls throughout the school. In an interview with the *Eton College Chronicle*, he says the governing body should be looking at co-education.

The matter when Lewis was taking the toughest exam of his career. "When I came to be interviewed, the Provost or one of the fellows asked whether I felt they should be thinking about co-education," he says. "My answer would have been yes, they should be thinking about it."

Lewis rules out any half-hearted attempt at introducing Etoniennes. "If you were to introduce co-education, you wouldn't want to do it just at the top level of the school. If you're going to introduce it, you should do so from the first year up."

Some crusty OEs are dismayed at the prospect, but Lord Norwich is delighted: "A splendid plan," he cries. "I was an only child and left Eton feeling very uncertain about girls. Eton is one of the few public schools that doesn't take girls — you want boys to be neither frightened nor contemptuous of girls."

Lord Charteris, the former Provost, is unmoved. "There are only two reasons why a public school goes co-ed: economic, or because you think it's a better form of education. Eton's order books are full and I don't believe it's a better form of education. Unlike when I was a boy, Etonians these days do not live a monastic life. There are lots of pretty women about."



● *Dining in Washington this weekend, the Princess of Wales said she regretted that so many trees had to be cut down to print endless stories about her life. I am assured this has been noted by the green and read-about prince.*

Smashed?

THE BEATLES' producer George Martin was harking back the other night to his days of wild parties. But this was nothing to do with the psychedelic debauchery of the 1960s, he insisted, at the launch of his book, *Summer of Love*.

Martin was recalling a bash this year in Dorset where the drink washed over him like a Paul McCartney melody. He was in the company of his good friend Eric Newby, the 75-year-old travel writer.

"We were sitting on a boat, late at night, rather the worse for wear. Eric overbalanced and toppled back into the boat. He broke his nose." Newby disputes the outcome: "There was a lot of blood, but I didn't actually *break* my nose."

● *Ian Greer, the political fixer enmeshed in the cash-for-questions affair, set down his lobbying credo in his book* Right to be Heard. *But for all his lobbying, five publishers turned the book down and Greer was forced to print it himself in 1985. It was swiftly remaindered.*

Howe howler

LORD HOWE had trouble with a rape alarm yesterday: it went off at ear-piercing pitch just as he was about to appear for an interview on Sky News.

Howe had arrived at Sky with his publicist, Caroline Harris, to talk about his biography. Minutes before he was due on air, a deafening squeal was emitted from Harris's handbag. "It's always going off in the wrong places," Harris shouted, trying to muffle the ghastly din.

Howe was unflappable. "I am doing a book-signing at Harrods tomorrow," he murmured distractedly. "I rather hope the Al-Fayeds don't come and ask for a copy."

Aristo catwalk

SUPERMODELS Kate Moss and Naomi Campbell should look to their laurels. They have competition in the lissom form of 18-year-old Lady Henrietta Conyngham, daughter of the Earl of Mount Charles.

Lady Henrietta, a karate blue-belt, has been strutting the catwalk in Paris for Catherine Walker, one of the designers favoured by the Princess of Wales. The verdict is that she performed well and should return to modelling, even though she plans to go to drama school.



Lady Henrietta: on show

Henrietta was nevertheless nervous, says her father, a Lloyd's name who has been recouping his losses by staging rock concerts at Slane Castle, his home in Co. Meath. "She found it daunting but she has a flair for it, and was relieved when she arrived in Paris to find a friend doing the same."

● *Much has been made of the high sartorial standards of the embattled Trade Minister, Neil Hamilton. A bow-tie man, he shops not at Harrods but at T.M.Lewin, the traditional Jermyn Street outfitter not a courtroom's length from the Al-Fayed-owned Turnbull & Asser.*

Right turn out

THE PRIME MINISTER with more mettle than our own Iron Lady is planning to stand down after 12 years in office. I am, of course, referring to that redoubtable champion of the Caribbean right-wing, Dame Eugenia Charles, Prime Minister of Dominica since 1980.

It was Dame Eugenia who insisted that President Reagan should invade Grenada in 1983, and went on American television to rally the troops. She has been equally uncompromising about domestic policy: "I would like to get unemployment down to nil," she says. "If the young people are employed, they are less likely to listen to leftist rhetoric."

Dominican cabinet meetings will be less colourful in her absence. "She is the Caribbean's Iron Lady," says a diplomat, "like Margaret Thatcher — but times two."



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HAMILTON AND OTHERS

The Government should listen to experienced advice

Neil Hamilton is lucky in his detractors. Two former Tory ministers, Edwina Currie and Alan Clark, called yesterday for the trade minister to resign. Fortunately for him, neither of them is noted for soundness of judgment.

Mr Hamilton's case remains to be judged. But the whole "cash for questions" controversy is part of a larger problem which was addressed yesterday by one of the most distinguished parliamentarians still in the Commons. John Biffen's view on the regulation of parliamentary activities cannot be dismissed as lightly as those of his more voluble colleagues. The former Leader of the House supports the idea of a wider inquiry into allegations that MPs have accepted cash in return for tabling parliamentary questions. Sir Norman Fowler, former chairman of the Conservative Party, agrees. So do Tony Blair and Paddy Ashdown, leaders of both opposition parties. Only Jeremy Hanley, the current Tory Party chairman, is left arguing that the behaviour of MPs should be judged by fellow MPs, because only they understand the workings of Westminster.

What people do understand about the workings of Westminster leaves them less than confident about the probity of their representatives, still less of the ability of MPs to judge objectively the standards of behaviour of colleagues. The House of Commons runs on a system of self-regulation, a model which seems to have become less successful in recent years, certainly in the case of the City. Bribery of MPs is not illegal because none of the rules are statutory. Parliamentarians are expected at least to declare any payments from outside bodies in the register of members' interests. Some refuse to do so on principle; others for reasons of expediency.

Nothing that has so far been exposed is illegal; much, though, is improper. Some politicians seem to have adopted a schoolboy's code of honour, that impropriety is acceptable as long as it remains hidden. The Prime Minister claims now to be in the business of "grown-up politics". He could prove his intent by agreeing with the opposition parties to set up an outside inquiry, not only into cash-for-questions but also into broader questions of propriety in public life. It should be charged with designing a code of ethics for public service that could help to restore the reputations of Parliament and other public bodies.

For politicians have been tainted in the public mind by other actions too. It is unseemly that a minister involved in privatising a nationalised industry should join its board as soon as he leaves office. Should he or she not be subject to the same two-year quarantine as civil servants servants? Equally, the proliferation of quangos has left the Government vulnerable to the accusation that public appointments are too often made on the basis of party affiliation.

If John Major genuinely wants to restore the standing of his Government and of the political process, he should consider setting up a special commission to consider these questions. This could subsume the current committee on quangos and it could address itself to local government too. For, as many residents of big cities know, parties that are in power for many years become vulnerable to corruption. Labour's record in local government leaves a great deal to be desired. But only one party has been running the country for the past 15 years. In the interests of good government, the Conservatives must now be seen to be taking standards in public life seriously.

A CIVIL CRUSADE

The citizen has reason to be grateful to Lord Woolf

The decision by the Lord Chancellor, Lord Mackay of Clashfern, to entrust the review of civil court procedures in England and Wales to Lord Woolf seems already to be vindicated. After his first press conference on the subject last week (reported on Saturday by Frances Gibb, our Legal Correspondent), Lord Woolf has confirmed the hopes of those who expected from him the seriousness of enterprise and quality of intellect which must be employed against the many anachronisms in the civil courts of this country.

Lord Woolf has not only set out to redraw the map of civil procedure; he intends also to exhort the judicial establishment, judges and advocates alike, to fashion an ideology of civil justice more in tune with the needs of a modern society and economy. In this crusade Lord Woolf has a formidable ally in Sir Thomas Bingham, Master of the Rolls (and thus head of the country's civil courts). There is no better proof of the end of the judiciary's "Hailsham era" than their reformist alliance — and a pattern of intellectual communion between the two has emerged, the force of which the Government must not be slow to recognise.

"It is no use having the best jurisprudence in the world," Sir Thomas has said, "if those who need it cannot afford to tap into it". To that end, the aims of Lord Woolf's review are a reduction in the cost of litigation, a simplification of rules regulating civil actions and the abolition of vexatious procedural obstacles. In his concern for what might be called procedural morality (an echo of a phrase employed by Lon L. Fuller, Harvard's most illustrious professor of Jurisprudence), Lord Woolf is determined to ensure that the methods of English courts should not conspire to alienate the citizen-as-litigant from the substance of English law: "the cost of litigation and the speed of litigation is very much part of the justice of litigation". Lord Woolf has made clear that he would like civil courts to be "judge-driven": a primary reform would be an end to the existing pattern of litigation led by lawyers, which soaks up a disconcerting amount of professional time, effort and money. A shift in power to "procedural judges", who would act as trial managers, would be a positive response to the litigant's problem of access to justice. Judges would control the timetabling of hearings and impose cost limits at the outset. There would be a "single door entry" system for all civil disputes — which would ensure that litigants did not, as often happens, fall at early procedural hurdles — after which a case would be allotted to one of various "streams". Radically, Lord Woolf favours the appointment by judges themselves of experts to help the court, rather than by the parties to the case. He has stressed, also, the value of alternative dispute resolution, such as conciliation and mediation: its importance can be gauged by the fact that, at least in the commercial context, the civil justice system is more about resolving disputes than achieving "justice".

The proposed reform which will meet with most resistance from the Bar is the institution of strict time limits on oral argument in court, and a complementary increase in the number of issues dealt with by written submissions. The American Supreme Court adopted limits on oral argument 150 years ago: no one would argue that it did so to the detriment of either justice or its own jurisprudence. The cumulative effect of these reforms — and the addition of a new dimension to the role of the judge — will be to inject into our adversarial system an element of the inquisitorial. That is a price which we should pay gladly for the reform of our civil courts.

MONKEY BUSINESS

Any opera performance naturally apes an ape



There is no reason why a giant ape cannot be the hero of an opera. Harrison Birtwistle's new opera, *The Second Mrs Kong*, has its premiere tonight. It features not only King Kong, but also the Girl with a Pearl from Vermeer's painting, those veteran troupers Orpheus and Eurydice, Anubis (the jackal-headed god of the Egyptian underworld), and a Hollywood trio from the Thirties, Mr Dollarama (a dead film-producer), his wife Inanna (a former beauty queen with the name of a Sumerian goddess), and her lover, Swami Zumzum, a phony cult leader.

To pedants who object that apes cannot sing, the robust reply is that neither do giants, dwarves, devils, flying female cavalry, slaves or other stock characters. In the cast list of Kobbé, the only players notorious for singing in their lives offstage are barbers. And in modern unisex barber-shops, their live performances have been replaced by recorded music. In any case, King Kong is being sung tonight by the tenor, Philip Langridge, in a monkey suit.

Those who complain that the plot sounds like a kitchen sink stacked with old Greek and Egyptian crockery, Flemish art, Hollywood cult movies and modern computer technology confuse opera with the information highway. Most opera plots are absurd. Even with the help of family trees of the gods and war memorials for the dead, it is hard to mistake opera for real life. This is the art in which a man gets stabbed in the bowels and, instead of bleeding, bursts into song. Why not a singing monkey, provided it sings well? Opera is magic for the ears, eyes and emotions rather than matter for the understanding. Even before it was set to music, the original monster movie had implausibilities. If the natives wanted to keep the monster on the other side of their wall, why did they build a door big enough to let him through?

In spite of his nonsense, King Kong has become a modern archetype. The original black-and-white pictures echoed doom-laden modern artists such as Max Ernst. Psychologists have explained the appeal of the great ape as everything from a metaphor for racism to an environmental tract and sexual fantasy. The film producer on safari in the film introduced this school of primate analysis: "It wasn't the airplanes. It was beauty killed the beast."

Legends are the proper creatures for opera, and King Kong is a far more popular fairytale than Sir Gawain, the hero of Sir Harrison's last opera. The great ape could return opera to being art for the masses rather than an escalator into high culture. Cabbies whistled the latest tunes by Mozart. Kong is more sympathetic than most operatic heroes. He could start a trend for operas about other modern legends such as Tintin and Mickey Mouse, Jeffrey Archer and Oliver North. But in opera, the script is always daughter to the music. King Kong must sing at least one aria tonight to set the toes tapping. It is on this score rather than any implausibility of the script that doubts no bigger than the plastic hand of a giant ape arise about King Kong at the opera.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Making World Bank medicine work

From the Director of Christian Aid

Sir, The UN Secretary-General's warning (report, October 18), that economic advance is impossible without social development, needs to be heeded, in particular by the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund. Their insistence on tough "structural adjustment" of Third World economies as a condition for loans is making matters worse for many of the world's poorer countries.

In the year after Zimbabwe's structural adjustment policy was introduced, the number of women dying in childbirth doubled in Harare alone. Cuts in health and education spending stemming from 17 years of adjustment have changed Sri Lanka from one of the most literate countries in Asia to one where child malnutrition is on the increase.

At the 50th anniversary meetings of the Bank and the IMF in Madrid earlier this month the circular logic of adjustment was all too apparent. Economic progress, it was argued, depends on adjustment: if the medicine isn't working, it is simply prescribed in bigger doses.

The average Briton contributes approximately £5 a year to overseas aid agencies like Christian Aid, but each taxpayer pays as much as £10 to the World Bank. This money would be more likely to benefit the poor if the Bank and Fund were more accountable both to Third World countries and our own Parliament.

It would also help if they were not semi-detached from the United Nations, and heeded the UN Secretary-General's advice to soften the impact of adjustment on those least able to bear it.

Yours faithfully,
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October 19.

Time for peace in Western Sahara

From Baroness Blackstone and others

Sir, We write as parliamentarians concerned about Western Sahara and to outline our views on the United Nations settlement plan for that country at a time when Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali is about to start an official visit to Great Britain.

The United Nations settlement plan for Western Sahara has recently passed its third anniversary of non-implementation. The aim of the plan was to give the inhabitants of Western Sahara, the Saharawi people, the right to decide their future in a free and fair referendum. It was the result of years of diplomacy and involved the two main parties to the conflict, Morocco and the Polisario Front, as well as the Organisation of African Unity (OAU) and the neighbouring countries of Algeria and Mauritania.

The conflict in Western Sahara, which is the last remaining colony in Africa, has at times been very bloody, but compared with other conflicts around the world the situation is less complex and could be an opportunity for the UN positively to reassert its peace-making role.

More than 165,000 Saharawi refugees living in one of the harshest climates in the world in the desert of South West Algeria have a long-standing right recognised by the international community to decide their own future. Many of them have been waiting for nearly 20 years in the desert to exercise that right. Only two weeks ago 4,000 families were left homeless as a result of flooding.

To break the current deadlock in the settlement plan the UN and the international community must work towards direct negotiations between Morocco and Polisario.

Breakthroughs in long-standing conflicts in South Africa and the Middle East have come when historic enemies have entered into dialogue. The King of Morocco has direct experience of that from his involvement in the Middle East peace process; he is even about to host a major Middle East economic conference which will bring together states which have been at war.

Without dialogue the UN plan will not progress. Shuttle diplomacy between the two parties has not been effective to date and there is the real risk of a return to bloody conflict in a region which is already unstable. Failure of the settlement plan would cause considerable damage to the credibility of the UN.

It is surely now an appropriate time for Security Council members, including Britain, to play a more active role in facilitating direct negotiations.

Yours sincerely,
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Tories on Ulster

From the Chairman of the National Union of Conservative and Unionist Associations

Sir, Mr John Strafford (letter, October 19) is wrong to suggest that the Conservative Party did not have the "maturity" to allow a "genuine" debate on Northern Ireland at the recent Conservative Party conference.

There was indeed a mature and genuine debate. Three speakers from the Northern Ireland Conservatives were called, including Leonard Fee — the prime mover behind the amendment — and three speakers from the rest of the UK.

We had a balanced debate in the presence of the PM and the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland. The latter gave a reasoned reply to the debate which took place on the day the Loyalist ceasefire was announced. All representatives were proud of what the PM and the Secretary of State had achieved in Northern Ireland, after so many years of bloodshed.

The reason the amendment was not called is simple: to do so would have narrowed down the focus of debate to the single issue of whether or not the Government should become "persuaders" for the Union and, if passed, the amendment would have rendered the substantive motion internally inconsistent.

In the event, the motion was approved overwhelmingly, following a debate in which the views of the movers of the amendment were fully reflected.

Yours faithfully,
BASIL FELDMAN, Chairman,
National Union of Conservative and Unionist Associations,
32 Smith Square, Westminster, SW1.
October 20.

Redundant coppers

From Mrs P. J. Bonner

Sir, I hope nobody from the Bank of England sees Mr Pegley's appeal (letter, October 19) for the withdrawal of 1p and 2p coins: my recollection of what happened at decimalisation makes me doubt whether Mr Wallis's suggestion (letter, October 11) of rounding both up and down would take place: rounding would always be up. Therefore making 5p the smallest unit of currency would bring widespread price increases.

Yours faithfully,
P. J. BONNER,
7 Victoria Terrace, Durham.
October 19.

From William Heneage

Sir, Please don't stop 1p and 2p coins. Last month I took my piggy bank to the toy shop and spent £3.47p on Lego, only using coppers I had collected.

Yours sincerely,
WILLIAM HENEAGE (aged 8),
Newport Cottage,
North Carlton, Lincoln.

Toy gun ban

From Mr Jonathan Parish

Sir, So Toys "R" Us are banning toy guns in their American shops because children are mistakenly being shot (report, October 15). Would it not be better if the United States government banned real ones?

Yours faithfully,
J. PARISH,
Monkmoor, Beechwood Avenue,
Weybridge, Surrey.

Respect for 'Ring'

From Mr Eric R. Wilkinson

Sir, Writing of *Die Walküre* at Covent Garden (Arts, October 17), Mr Rodney Milnes is worried by the adverse reaction of some of the audience. He equates this with a rejection of the theatre of today. But *The Ring* is not "just another 19th-century opera". It is unique in that the composer, author, librettist, stage director and the designer of its own custom-built opera house were one and the same man. The way he saw it, therefore, must have special significance.

Critics can pick and choose from the world's offerings. But *Ring* performances in this country are few and far between, and carry ticket prices which most of us have to save up for. We are lucky if we can get to see more than one *Ring* per decade. Is it surprising that on such a rare occasion many of us want to see *The Ring* as Wagner conceived it?

Yours sincerely,
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Grateley, Andover, Hampshire.

Arachnid alarm

From Mr Maurice Alexander

Sir, The sex of the spider (letter, October 17) matters not one jot to me. If any of its eight feet cross the threshold of our house I will ask my wife to kill it.

Yours faithfully,
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Airport priorities now and in future

From Mr Peter Cuming

Sir, Harvey Elliott ("The comedy we call a transport policy", Travel News, October 20) is right to point out that the London airport gateways of Heathrow and Gatwick are approaching gridlock and to draw attention to the concern of the airlines that delay in addressing this problem would be "dangerously misconceived". There is not the remotest possibility of an airport on an island to be created offshore coming swiftly to the rescue, even if such a solution were sensible.

The timescale need not be quite as long as Mr Elliott apparently envisages. Whereas the Heathrow terminal five inquiry will not start until next spring, the ministerial decision on the Redhill planning inquiry is expected at the turn of the year, and the infrastructure for a reliever airport there could be in place by 1998.

Redhill and Northolt would ensure that the two principal airport gateways to Britain remain effective and potentially attractive for another decade or two.

Yours faithfully,
PETER CUMING,
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October 20.

From Mr Ian Stockman

Sir, Mr Roger Lascelles (letter, October 19), in calling for an international airport in the South West, seriously underestimates the levels of air services available from aiports in the South West of England and South Wales.

Bristol, Cardiff and Exeter airports supply nine return flights to Paris each day, 12 to Amsterdam, eight to Brussels and seven to Dublin. There are less frequent flights to other continental destinations as well as a complex network of domestic and Channel Island services from the region.

Many passengers to the continental hubs of Amsterdam, Brussels and Paris take connecting flights to destinations within and beyond Europe, thereby drawing away from London's airports traffic that would otherwise be channelled through Gatwick and Heathrow. Providing the region with a further airport would dilute current levels of service, and weaken the viability of existing airports in South Wales and South West England.

Yours faithfully,
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From Mr Stephen Pollock-Hill

Sir, Having fought three times against the proposals for a third London airport, those of us living near Stansted eventually had foisted on us an airport which is now struggling to survive and which has proved the forecasts of the experts to be wildly over-optimistic. Nevertheless, we are still under pressure from the combined heavy guns of Whitehall, BAA and British Airways to find a site for additional capacity and a further runway to serve the South East.

The Hertfordshire Conservation Society has consistently pointed out to the Government, when consultation has taken place, that many passengers using the London airports are forced to travel considerable distances to reach their departure airport. The chairman of our airports committee, Air Commodore Ian Stockwell, has stressed the benefits of meeting the demand for air traffic where it arises.

If this policy were implemented, for example in the South West as Mr Lascelles proposes, the consequent reduction in pollution caused by unnecessary car journeys to London would have a significant environmental benefit in addition to the economic impact on the regions.

Yours etc,
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Royal past and future

From Mr Giles Bevan-Thomas

Sir, The failings of which Mrs Edwina Currie MP (letter, October 20) accuses the Prince of Wales have not prevented men with similar characteristics from becoming King in the past, so why should they today? Kings and queens are not chosen by their subjects for their likeable personalities.

For all I know the Prince of Wales may enjoy eating dogs in secret on Sundays (Sir Nicholas Fairbairn's letter, October 19). He should still become King.

Yours faithfully,
GILES BEVAN-THOMAS,
29 Haldon Road, SW18.
October 20.

From Ms Jane Pelling

Sir, The danger of printing excerpts from a book not yet published is exemplified by the limited and ill-informed judgment with which Mrs Currie condemns Prince Charles. It is of serious concern when such a myopic view is expressed by a member of Parliament.

Yours faithfully,
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October 20.

From Sir John Stokes

Sir, I have seldom read a more unsound letter in your columns than that from Mr David Geldart (October 20). "Stability" and "tradition" are the backbone of this ancient and civilised country, unconquered for over 900 years.

Our monarchy is popular among all classes (except the intellectuals) and the Queen is immensely respected. Our ancient monarchy is unique in the world and is the envy of many other nations including now, it seems, Russia.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN STOKES,
Top Barn, Church End,
Haddenham, Buckinghamshire.
October 20.

From Mr S. R. D. Hall

Sir, Recent denigration of Gordonstoun cannot be allowed to pass unchallenged. Contrary to popular belief, the school was a thoroughly humane and civilised place in the 1960s. Kurt Hahn, its founder, had retired not long before and his influence was still keenly felt.

Character-training remained the core element with its emphasis on compassion, integrity and self-discipline. While not all pupils shared these aspirations, it was remarkable how many of them did so.

The real tragedy of Prince Charles's education lies not in the choice of school but in the loss of an outstanding mentor and friend when his private detective was replaced in the wake of the cherry brandy incident. Donald Green possessed a range of qualities which made him ideally suited to the task of guiding his royal charge through those formative years.

The reporter who exposed so trivial a lapse and the officials who made Green the scapegoat have much to answer for.

Yours faithfully,
SIMON HALL (Assistant Master, Gordonstoun, 1961-65),
High Green House,
Temple Sowerby, Penrith, Cumbria.

In praise of older cars

From Mr Gary J. Smith

Sir, Of course Mr Ian McAllister, the Chairman of Ford Britain, would welcome a government monetary incentive to scrap old cars (report, October 19). This would boost new car sales.

But what annoyed me was the automatic assumption that old cars are polluters.

I own a 1969 Austin-Healey and the fact that it has been on the road for 25 years and not been scrapped means a great saving in the raw materials needed to build any replacements. Most cars are replaced every three years, according to car-makers, so I have "saved" a total of eight.

Even though my car is exempt from emissions testing at the MoT garage it is well within set limits. It also has few plastic components and is therefore considerably more biodegradable than its modern counterpart — something I am always reminded of when I look at the rust.

Additionally, catalytic converters do not reduce exhaust emissions. They only convert the harmful gases into another element, carbon dioxide, the so-called "greenhouse gas". This, we are told, is responsible for the depletion of the ozone layer and for global warming.

Yours faithfully,
GARY J. SMITH,
8 Pinewood Gardens,
Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire.
October 19.

MPs' working hours

From Mr Ted Rowlands, MP for Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney (Labour)

Sir, Your editorial (October 19) on civilising the Commons states that we are absentee parents and spouses because of the "ridiculous" hours of work. Many of us are absentee parents and spouses because we believe our families should be brought up in the community we represent. A change in the hours is, therefore, irrelevant to our family situations.

Yours sincerely,
TED ROWLANDS,
House of Commons.

Ageing process

From Mrs E. Hewison

Sir, We must be grateful to the Tate Gallery for enabling us to see the fine range of work exhibited in the Whistler exhibition (review, Arts, October 18). With the passage of time, I have noticed that Whistler's mother is getting younger, like policemen.

Yours faithfully,
E. HEWISON,
5 Southdown Drive,
Wimbledon, SW20.
October 20.

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CLARENCE HOUSE

October 22: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was represented by The Duke of York today at the De-Commissioning of *HMS Resolution* at the Clyde Submarine Base, Faslane.

Dame Frances Campbell-Preston has succeeded the Hon Mrs Rhodes as Lady-in-Waiting to Her Majesty.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

October 23: The Prince Edward, International Trustee, this afternoon left Heathrow Airport, London, to attend the Fifth International Award Forum of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award International Association in Mauritius.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sean O'Dwyer is in attendance.

Service dinners

HMS Cambria

Captain P.J. Tribe, Secretary to the First Sea Lord, was the guest of honour at the annual Trafalgar Night dinner of the South Wales Division, RNR, held on Saturday in *HMS Cambria*. Commander P.F. Hogan, Commanding Officer, received the guests. Lieutenant-Commander B.J. Thorne, Executive Officer, presided.

HMS Liverpool

Captain L.C. Hopkins, Captain Third Destroyer Squadron, was the guest of honour and proposed the toast to the "Immortal Memory" at a dinner of the Wardroom, *HMS Liverpool* held on Saturday off Cape Trafalgar. Lieutenant Commander N.R.E. Trundle, Executive Officer, presided.

Defence Postal and Courier Services

Mr P.J. Howarth, Managing Director of the Royal Mail, Major General P.J. Sheppard and Brigadier P.A. Flanagan were the guests of honour at the annual reunion dinner of the Postal and Courier Services Officers' Association held on Saturday at Simpson's-in-the Strand. Brigadier T. McG. Brown presided.

Memorial service

The Right Rev Lord Blanch

A memorial service for the Right Rev Lord Blanch was held on Saturday in the Chapel of St Peter's College, Oxford. The Rev Christopher Jones, chaplain, officiated, assisted by the Rev Dr Richard France, Principal of Wycliffe Hall, Oxford, who led the prayers.

Dr John Barron, Master of St Peter's College, and Lord Plant of Highfield, Master of St Catherine's, College, Oxford, read the lessons. The Right Rev Lord Coggan gave an address.

Dinners

City Women's Network

Mrs Stella Rimington was the speaker at a dinner given by City Women's Network at the Lansdowne Club on October 20. Mrs Alison Thorne, Chairman and *Miss Hunada Nouss*, retiring Chairman, also spoke.

Old Oakhamian Club

Mr Graham Smallbone, Headmaster of Oakham School, Rutland, was the guest of honour at the annual dinner of the Old Oakhamian Club held on Saturday at Oakham School. Mrs Corinna Pike, president, was in the chair.

Old Queenswoodians Association

To mark Queenswood School's Centenary, the Old Queenswoodians Association held a dinner on Saturday at the School. Dr Jean Horton, OQA Chairman, presided. Mrs Audrey Butler, Headmistress and Old Queenswoodian, welcomed those present and *Miss Enid Essame* (Headmistress 1944-1971) also spoke.

The Big Bang Ball

£38 Ball tickets for the Café Royal on Friday, October 28, are sold out. However, £19 early VIP tickets (7pm to 10.30pm) for the Reception for The Lord Mayor are available from 071-931 8849.

Milton Abbey School

The Chairman and Board of Governors of Milton Abbey School are pleased to announce the appointment of Mr W.J. Hughes-D'Aeth, BA, of Rugby School as Headmaster of Milton Abbey School with effect from September 1, 1995, upon the retirement of Mr R.H. Hardy, JP, MA.

Nature notes



The little owl

SISKINS are back in the birches and alders in southern England. They are small, green finches that come down in winter from the North. When a flock flies overhead, all twittering musically, it sounds like a rush of wind that has set the lustres of a chandelier tinkling. Little owls are making their yelping cries in the fields: unlike tawny and barn owls, they hunt by day. They often sit conspicuously on a gate-post at the roadside, where they look as if they are frowning at the view. A few swallows and house martins are still around: they are the last summer visitors to go.

Leaves are at their most colourful but are falling in *droves. There are pools of* yellow leaves under the black-*thorn bushes, where a few* blue sloes still linger on the twigs. Sycamore leaves are a rich yellow, with faint patches of green and many black fungus spots. On wild service trees, the leaves are pink and terracotta. Rain brings out the purple tints in the dying bracken. Summer flowers still to be seen are mostly on plants growing close to the ground: Oxford ragwort, trunkated *specimens of common sow-*thistle and low, creeping *mallows.*

DJM



ALAIN LOCKYER

Mr Jonathan Swann, elder son of Sir Michael Swann and Mrs Lydia Swann was married to Miss Polly Baston, elder daughter of Commander and Mrs David Baston, at the Church of St Michael and All Angels, Somerton, on Saturday

'Iceman' died taking perilous short cut

BY NORMAN HAMMOND, ARCHAEOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

MICROSCOPIC study of traces of wear on the tools used by the 5,000-year-old Alpine "Iceman" have shown that he carved his own bow and made his own protective clothing. He was also probably on his way home by a dangerous short cut when he died from exposure, according to Dr Thomas Loy of the Australian National University in Canberra.

Dr Loy has examined the equipment found with the *Iceman's corpse in 1991*, and carried out tests for organic residues including blood and food remains, all of which *have proved positive. Large* starch grains adhering to the *blade of his copper axe suggest* that he was eating a meal at *the same time as refitting the* handle because the grains occur on an area normally covered by the handle.

There was blood and hair on the axe as well; some of the blood was preserved because it had also been covered by the haft binding, indicating that the weapon had been used to cut deeply into meat of some sort, splashing blood far up the blade. The species from which the blood came has not yet been identified, although several different animals contributed to the man's clothing.

Damage to the edge of the axe blade matched marks on the wooden bow, indicating that the man had made it himself, Dr Loy told a conference in Boston this month. Contrary to reports that the bow had never been strung, scrutiny of the bowstring, coiled inside the quiver, *showed that the end had been* tied in a double spiral, a *standard method of attaching* a longbow string.

Two damaged arrows and their shafts found in the *quiver were in the process of* being modified to make a *single new usable arrow: parts* of their lashing and pitch adhesive had been chipped away. The tip of the flint dagger in its ashwood handle had also been broken, and the blade had already been rehafted once, leaving a tell-tale line of residue where the earlier binding trapped dirt.

The bow gave off "an odour like rancid blubber" when brought to room temperature, Dr Loy said. He believed that the bow had probably been smeared liberally with blood and fat to keep it pliable in the freezing conditions of the Alps.



The Iceman: tests show he made own clothes

The grass cloak with which the Iceman tried to protect himself from the cold was made from stems that he had cut himself, using a triangular flint blade found in his toolkit, Dr Loy said. Glossy burnish, spicules of silica, and fragments of seed casing stuck to the blade indicated that he had harvested the grass, which he had also stuffed in his boots.

The blade, like other tools, showed evidence of multiple uses, like a Swiss army knife; the fact that the Iceman was not carrying any spare blades, *nor any pitch for mounting* arrowheads, suggests that he *was not intending to be away* from home for long.

Dr Loy said: "I conclude that he was a competent *hunter of mature age, who got* into difficulties when taking a dangerous short cut home across a high pass; there, in the lee of a rocky outcrop, he died of exposure."

Church news

Appointments

The Rev Pamela Freeman, Curate, Shelton and Oxon, and Chaplain with Deaf People in Salop archdeaconry: to be Team Vicar, Stafford Team Ministry w special responsibility for Christ Church and St Leonard's (Lichfield).

The Rev Paul Gardner, Vicar, St John Hartford: to be also Rural Dean of Middlewich (Chester).

Plumbers' Company

The following have been installed officers of the Plumbers' Comany for the ensuing year:

Master, Mr J. Jones; Upper Warden, Mr J. Jeffery; Renter Warden, Mr C. Smith.

Anniversaries today

BIRTHS: Cuthbert Collingwood, 1st Baron Collingwood, admiral, Newcastle upon Tyne, 1748; Sir Moses Montefiore, philanthropist, Leghorn, 1784; Eugène Fromentin, painter and novelist, La Rochelle, 1820; Dame Sybil Thorndike, actress, Gainsborough, Lincs, 1882; Tito Gobbi, baritone, Bassando del Grappa, Italy, 1915.

DEATHS: Jane Seymour, third wife of King Henry VIII, Hampton Court, 1537; Tycho Brahe, astronomer, Prague, 1601; William Prynne, Puritan writer, London, 1669; Alessandro Scarlatti, composer, Naples, 1725; Joseph Lancaster, educator, New York, 1838; Francis Turner Palgrave, poet and critic, London, 1897; Pierre de Chavannes, mural painter, Paris, 1898; George Cadbury, chocolate manufacturer and social reformer, Birmingham, 1922; Susan Lawrence, Labour minister 1929, London, 1947; Franz Léhar, composer, Bad Ischal, Austria, 1948; Christian Dior, couture designer, Montecatini, Italy, 1957; George Edward Moore, philosopher, Cambridge, 1958; Edward Burra, painter, 1976.

James VI of Scotland was proclaimed James I, King of "England, Scotland, France and Ireland", 1604.

Chicago gangster Al Capone was jailed for 11 years and fined $80,000 for tax evasion, 1931.

The United Nations was formally established, 1945.

Northern Rhodesia became the independent Republic of Zambia, 1964.

Appointments in the Forces

The Army

BRIGADIER: N.F. Wood - to MOD, 24.10.94.

COLONEL: P.R. Rossiter - to be Comdt ASC, 24.10.94

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL: P.B.G. Cummings RLC - To MOD, 24.10.94; T.J. Davis AGC (ALS) - To HQ BFHK, 24.10.94; T.R. Hamilton-Baillie RGJ - To be CO 4 RGJ, 29.10.94; J.J. Little RLC - to be CO 27 Tpt Regt RLC, 24.10.94; R. Milne (AGC (SPS) - To Camp Comdt (AD), 24.10.94; *R.J. Morrison RLC - To HQ RLC* Trg Cen and Deepcut Gar, 26.10.94; P.R. Newton PWRR - To be CO 2 PWRR, 24.10.94; I.M. Tait RE - To MOD 24.10.94.

Retirement

COLONEL: J.D. Smith-Bingham Late RHG/D, 29.10.94; J.N.B. Stuart Late RE, 28.10.94.

Marriages

Mr J.C. Swann and Miss P.M. Baston

The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of St Michael and All Angels, Somerton, Somerset, of Mr Jonathan Swann, elder son of Sir Michael Swann, of Fulham, London, and Mrs Lydia Swann, of Flimwell, East Sussex, to *Miss Polly Baston, elder daughter* of Commander and Mrs David *Baston, of Compton Dundon.*

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Hannah and Lucy Guy and Miss Melanie Baston. Mr Toby Swann was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr J.M.B. Baillie-Hamilton and Dr P.E. Hickman

A service of blessing was held on Saturday at Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford, after the marriage in Oxford Register Office of Mr Michael Baillie-Hamilton, elder *son of Captain Neil Baillie-Hamil*ton, of Cambusmore, Perthshire, and the late the Hon Mrs Baillie-Hamilton, to Dr Paula Hickman, second daughter of Mr and Mrs *John Hickman, of London.* The Rev Dr M.E. Jackson officiated.

Mr R.E. Briggs and Miss J.O. Larkey

The marriage took place on Saturday, October 22, at Hackney Register Office, of Mr Roland Briggs, youngest son of Mr and Mrs R.C.H. Briggs, and Miss Joanna Larkey, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs B.K. Larkey.

Mr N.J. Holt and Miss K.M. Power

The marriage took place on Saturday at the Temple Church, of Mr Nicholas Holt, son of Mr and Mrs *Richard Holt, of Hessett House*, Beyton, Suffolk, and Miss Kathryn Power, daughter of Mr John Power, of Wendens Ambo, Essex, and Mrs James Waymouth, of Eastbourne, Sussex. Canon Robinson and Father Cunningham *officiated.*

The bride was given in marriage by her father and was attended by her nieces, Grace and Stephanie Power. Mr Dominic Bidwell was best man.

A reception was held at the Inner *Temple and the honeymoon will be* spent abroad.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr P.J. Cansdale and Miss T.L. Bant

The engagement is announced between Philip, son of Mr and Mrs M.J. Cansdale, of Wells, Somerset, and Tracey, daughter of Mr and Mrs L.F. Bant, of Birmingham.

Mr S. Coles and Miss R. Coppey

The engagement is announced between Samuel, son of Mr and Mrs Walter Coles, of London, and Raphaëlle, younger daughter of M. and Mme Philippe Coppey, of Paris, France.

Mr A.T. Foley and Miss M.J. Westall-Reece

The engagement is announced between Andrew Thomas Foley, of Stoke Edith, Herefordshire, and Melanie Jacqueline Westall-Reece, of Whitfield, Herefordshire.

Mr K.D. Prowen and Miss L.M. Newell

The engagement is announced between Kevin, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Bernard Prowen, of Sonning On Thames, Berkshire, and Laura, daughter of Mr and Mrs Derek Gravett, of Earley, Berkshire.

Mr R.N.D. Haig-Thomas and Miss B.I. Moodie

The engagement is announced between Rupert, son of Major D.J.C. Haig-Thomas, formerly of North Kessock, Scotland, and the late Mrs P. Haig-Thomas, and Brenda, daughter of the late Mr I.C. Moodie and of Mrs S.M. Moodie, of Ontario Canada.

Dr C.G. Newton and *Ms J. Addison*

The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Mr and Mrs David Newton, of Rotherham, Yorkshire, and Jane, daughter of the late Mr John Addison and of Mrs Addison, of *Goring Heath, Oxfordshire.*

Mr J. Rithlat and *Miss J. Jackson*

The engagement is announced between James, younger son of Mr John Rithlat and the late Isabel Rithlat, of Regents Park, London, and Joanna, youngest daughter of the late Brigadier T.G.H. Jackson *and of Mrs Colin Macpherson, of* Droxford, Hampshire.

Royal engagements

The Prince of Wales will attend a dinner with Sir Brian Unwin, President of the Management *Committee and Board of Direc*tors, of the European Investment Bank at the National Museum, Cardiff, at 8.30.

The Duchess of Kent will visit the Compaid Trust and Headway House Day Centre, Pembury Hospital, at 10.30; as Patron of the YMCA Anniversary Year 1994, will visit the West Kent YMCA, Sherwood Centre, Lakeside, Sherwood Park, Tunbridge Wells, at 11.55; will open the Dame Sybil Thorndike Healthcare Centre, *Longley Road, Rochester, at 4.25;* and, as patron of the Friends of Rochester Cathedral, will visit Rochester Cathedral at 5.50. Later, as Patron of the International Social Service (UK), she will attend a 70th anniversary dinner at the *London Hilton at 8.05.*

RAF Benevolent Fund

A commemoration service was held yesterday at St Clement Danes, The Strand, to mark the 75th anniversary of the *Royal Air* Force Benevolent Fund. The Rev *G.B. McAvoy officiated. Air Chief* Marshal Sir Roger Palin, Controller of the RAF Benevolent Fund, and Mr Christopher McCall, a member of the Church Guild, read the lessons. The Ven B.H. Lucas, Chaplain-in-Chief, RAF, gave an *address. Earlier, Marshal of the* RAF Sir John Grandy, Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Graydon and Air Chief Marshal Sir Roger Palin laid a wreath at the statue of Marshal of the RAF Viscount Trenchard in Whitehall.

Birthdays today

The Earl of Ulster celebrates his birthday today.

Sir John Adye, director, GCHQ, 55; Mr Nic Ainger, MP, 45; Sir Geoffrey Bateman, otolaryngologist, 88; *Mr Phil Bennett*, rugby player, 46; Signor Luciano Berio, composer, 69; Miss Lesley Bidstrup, industrial medical consultant, 78; Sir John Bielloch, civil servant, 64; Rear-Admiral J.H. Carfill, former secretary, Engineering Council, 69; Mr P.J. Chenery, secretary, British Council, 48; Mr David Cope, former master, Marlborough College, 50; Baroness Dacre, 65; Mr Jonathan Davies, rugby league player, 32; Sir Robin Day, broadcaster, 71; Mr Frank Delaney, writer and broadcaster, 52; Captain T.R. Dunne, Lord-Lieutenant of Hereford and Worcester, 61; Dr R.A. Easton, chief executive, Delta, 46; Mr Henry Elwes, Lord Lieutenant of Gloucestershire, 59; the Earl of Gainsborough, 71; Mr Peter Gellhorn, conductor, 82; Colonel *Sir John Gilmour, former Lord* Lieutenant of Fife, 82; Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Graydon, 56; Sir Ralph Halpern, former chairman and chief executive, Burton Group, 56; Mr Wally Herbert, explorer, 60; Professor Dame *Elizabeth Hill, professor of Sla*vonic studies, 94; Miss Sena Jurinac, opera singer, 73; Mr Kevin Kline, actor, 47; Sir Keith Morris, diplomat, 60; Sir Alan Neale, civil servant, 76; Sir Fred Pontin, founder, Pontin's, 88; Professor W. Lindford Rees, psychiatrist, 80; Mr Allan Rogers, MP, 62; Sir Robert Sainsbury, joint president, J. Sainsbury, 88; the Marquess of Salisbury, 78; Mr Paddy Tipping, MP, 45; Mr Bill Wyman, former Rolling Stone, 58.

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St Luke 22:32 (REB)

BIRTHS

ABBEY - On October 6th, to Janet (née Burley) and Ian, a daughter, Maria Louise, a sister for Charlotte and Thomas.

DANIELSSON - On 16th October 1994, in Stockholm, a son, Carl Alexander, to Petrouchka (née Matthews) and Klas, a brother for Charlotte and Oscar.

HALL - On 13th October 1994, to Michelle (née Rollins) and John, a daughter, Marissa Ellen.

LOCK - On October 17th, to Helen (née Hayward), wife of George, a daughter, sister for Hugo.

MURRAY - On October 19th, to Serena (née Fooks) and Graeme, a son, James Alexander Elliot.

SHAWDON - On October 22nd to Belinda (née Glass) and Tom, a daughter, Lucy Hannah, a sister for Jack.

TIDBURY - On 8th October to Alexandra (née Deshon) and Hugh, a daughter

DEATHS

BEACH - On 20th October 1994, after a short illness bravely borne, Arthur Ernest C.Eng, FIEE, RCNC and Past President of the Bath Wallahs' Society, aged 92, deeply beloved and loving husband to Nora. Funeral Service will take place at Southampton Crematorium at 11.30am on 27th October. *Family flowers only,* donations, if desired, to Cancer Research.

DEATHS

BOULTWOOD - On October 19th, peacefully at Lymington, aged 78, George, of Beaulieu. Former A.P. Foreign Correspondent Journalist and Major of the Devonshire Regiment. Beloved husband of Constance Boultwood (née Cork). Thanksgiving Service Beaulieu Abbey on Monday October 31st at 3 pm. Donations if desired for Royal British Legion c/o Dimond and Son, Funeral Directors, Lymington, SO41 9DN.

BOWSTEAD - On October 21st, at home in Harare, Zimbabwe, after an illness borne with indomitable courage, Sally Evadne Ann, daughter of the late Lt. Cdr. T.C. Bowstead, RN (retired) and of the late Mrs E.H. (Betty) Bowstead of Zimbabwe. Much loved and deeply mourned sister of Peter. Funeral service at Christ Church, Borrowdale, Harare, Zimbabwe on Wednesday 26th October at 10.30 am. A Memorial Service will be held in the UK at a place, date and time to be announced.

MACDONALD - On October 21st, peacefully, Ina Leonora (Peg) M.B.E. aged 97 years, widow of Colonel C. MacDonald. Much loved mother of Michael Clarke and the late Brian Clarke, grandmother and great-grandmother. Funeral private.

MacGREGOR - Violet Mary aged 93, at Little Barn, Fownhope, wife of the late Ian (Mac); adored mother of Jean, Michael, Alasdair, and Tessa; grandmother and great grandmother. Funeral private. Thanksgiving Service at St Mary's Church, Fownhope on Tuesday 1st November at 2.15pm.

DEATHS

MEDLEY - On October 20th 1994, suddenly Robert Medley C.B.E., RA., of Sollom Hospital, Charterhouse Square, London EC1. Private cremation. Memorial Service to be announced.

PILE - On 20th October, Margaret aged 78 years, formerly of Jersey C.I., late of Godalming, Surrey, wife of the late Graham Pile, beloved mother of Verity and Hugh and grandmother of Katherine, Phillip, Robin and Patrick. Funeral Service at Guildford Crematorium on October 26th at 12 noon.

WALLIS - On October 21st, Elizabeth Jeanne Wallis (née Mortimer) of Jesmond, Newcastle upon Tyne, dear wife of Douglas. Funeral Service at West Road Crematorium, Newcastle, on Wednesday 26th October at 3 pm. Family flowers only please, donations if desired to Marie Curie Cancer Care, PO Box 30, Caterham, CR3 6UZ.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

HARTLEY - A Memorial Service celebrating the life of Miss A. N. Hartley will be held on November 19th at London Road Methodist Church, Flitton, Peterborough at 11.30am.

JOLL - A celebration of the life of the late Professor James Joll will be held on Tuesday 8th November 1994 in the Founders' Room at the London School of Economics, Houghton Street, London WC2A 2AE, at 6 pm. All who wish to attend will be welcome. RSVP to LSE. 071-955 7007.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

CHARITY COMMISSION Re: Evelyn McCreary Bequest and Augmentations

The Charity Commissioners propose to make a Scheme for these charities. A copy of the draft Scheme can be seen at Anthony Cullen, Solicitors, Pearl Assurance House, 4 Temple Row, Birmingham (ref. 19-E210-9401), or obtained by sending a stamped addressed envelope to the Charity Commission, 6R Albert's House, 57/60 Haymarket, London, SW1Y 4QX, quoting reference TF-258565A/2-CDD. Comments or representations can be made within one month from today.

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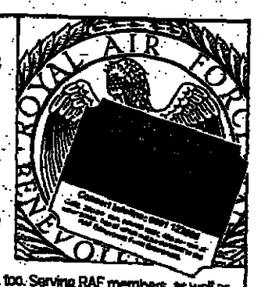
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ROBERT MEDLEY

Robert Medley, CBE, RA, painter and theatrical designer, died on October 20 aged 88. He was born in London on December 19, 1905.



ROBERT MEDLEY was notable in three distinct areas: as a designer-collaborator with the Group Theatre of the 1930s — the precursor of two very different enterprises, the Unity Theatre and the Aldeburgh Festival; as an art teacher, described by a former pupil, the art critic John Berger, as "unforgettable"; and as a painter and printmaker in his own right — an activity which was undoubtedly depleted in quantity, though enriched in content, by those two other calls on his time. Berger described him in 1963 as "an abstract philosopher painter ... the only mature *humanist* painter in Britain".

As an artist, he went through many distinct phases, moving from one to another, as a *Times* critic recently wrote, "with unshakeable logic and integrity". His subject matter included recurrent images of cyclists, straight landscapes, pencil drawings of nudes and lyrical, freeform abstractions. Over his seventy-odd years of painting he became something of an institution in the British art world, well-known within certain circles if never actually famous outside them, partly because of a natural diffidence about showing his work.

But Medley also provided a curious *footnote in the history of 20th-century* literature. In March 1922, at the age of 16, he confessed in an intimate moment to the 15-year-old W. H. Auden, who was much enamoured of him at the *time, that he secretly wrote poetry. He* suggested to Auden, who had never thought to do so, that he, too, might try it. This Auden did, and poems followed enclosed in letters to Medley. Thus Medley may be recalled in that memorable line in Auden's poem *Who's Who*, as the one who "answered some of his long marvellous letters but kept none". In fact Medley kept them all, folded in his pockets until they fell apart. However, he felt unequal to comment on what had evidently become so serious an activity for Auden.

Charles Robert Owen Medley was the second of six children. His mother had studied art, and an ancestor of his father, a lawyer, was a portrait painter contemporaneous with John Opie.

In 1919 Medley attended the progressive school Gresham's School, Holt, where he met several sons of artistic families and learnt to draw and paint. It was at Gresham's that he formed a close friendship with Auden.

Two years later Medley went to the Byam Shaw School of Art for a short time, then to the Royal Academy Schools for two months; whence, finding little instruction taking place, he moved to the Slade School, with forays to the Central School of Arts and Crafts, under William Roberts and Bernard Meninsky, the Westminster School of Art, and the studio of Leon Underwood, the sculptor, where Raymond Coxon and Henry Moore also gathered.

In Hampstead, Richard Carline (the brother of *Stanley Spencer's* wife) introduced him to older artists such as Spencer, and on the east side of Gordon Square in Bloomsbury Medley moved between the houses of the Stracheys, Virgina Woolf, Duncan Grant and Vanessa Bell.

He described the cultural climate in which he grew up as "the Victorian liberal tradition of free-thinking Nonconformity in which a strongly ethical discipline was tempered by a high principled tolerance".

In 1924 and 1925, two seasons of Diaghilev's Ballets Russe invigorated London life and art; and in 1925 Medley met the dancer and choreographer Rupert Doone who, although English, was already moving in Diaghilev's and Cocteau's circles in Paris. He and Medley lived together for the next 40 years, until Doone's death in 1966 from multiple sclerosis. They spent time in Paris, where Medley, on the recommendation of Duncan Grant, made many copies in the Louvre. Medley won a prize in 1927 from the *Sunday Express* for a painting, and in 1928 several of his pictures were bought by that discerning collector Sir Edward Marsh, and also by Roger Fry (then still a name to abuse in the art schools).

In 1931 Medley, now living in Fitzroy Square, had his first one-man show at the Cooling Galleries. He had joined the London Group in 1930; also the London Artists Association, a co-operative set up by Maynard Keynes and Samuel Courtauld, and began teaching at the Chelsea School of Art in 1932.

Meanwhile, in 1930 the Group Theatre had evolved out of the Cambridge Festival Theatre Company, largely through the dynamism of Medley's friend Doone. A provocatively avant-garde institution at the time, it was dedicated to the acknowledgement of the equality of artistic integrity — as collaborators — of performer, writer, composer and designer. With Medley as its designer, it was to involve Auden (his *Dance of Death* in 1934, co-produced by Tyrone Guthrie, impressed Berthold Brecht); Isherwood (whose *Ascent of F6* in collaboration with Auden was performed in 1937 and revived in 1939 at the Old Vic with Alec Guinness); T. S. Eliot (whose *Sweeney Agonistes* of 1935 received some vicious reviews); and the Pipers.

Group Theatre was revived in 1950 with the aid of Véra Lindsay (later Véra Russell) for *Orlando's Wedding*, performed in the Festival of Britain's small theatre in 1951; and finally for the *Homage to Dylan Thomas* of 1954. Medley had been commissioned to paint the front safety curtain for the Old Vic in 1938, but this was unfortunately destroyed during the war.

Medley's war service began as a war artist with the ARP, then, enjoyably for much of the time, in the Middle East, where he rose to the rank of major in the camouflage division. He completed his war in the United States with the British Military Mission.

In 1945 he returned to teaching at Chelsea: to the Slade in 1951 to teach stage design; and from 1958 to 1965 at Camberwell School of Art, where in the early 1960s he was able to put into effect the enlivening reforms adopted from William Coldstream's official report on art school teaching. These were also growing years of fame for Medley as an artist. His painting *Bicyclists Against a Blue Background* won the joint first prize with Lucien Freud's *Interior Near Paddington* at the Arts Council's Festival of Britain exhibition in 1952.

Medley's retrospective exhibition at the Whitechapel Gallery in 1963 under Bryan Robertson's direction was marked by a warm catalogue memoir from John Berger and the attendance at the opening of W. H. Auden in carpet slippers. In 1972 Medley exhibited abstract paintings at the Lisson Gallery (he enjoyed the discipline of working in abstraction), and followed this up in 1981 with 24 abstract screenprints in a folio volume, illustrating Milton's *Samson Agonistes*, a poem he had always loved. Earlier this year the Coran Gallery in London organised a major Medley retrospective. He was appointed CBE in 1982, and elected RA in 1986.

All these events wound through Medley's painting hours. He considered that his work needed to spring *from some sensual or erotic point of* departure; Berger considered it to be about space, time and memory. If it is difficult to define in its individuality rather than by its undoubted quality, this is partly because of the over-familiarity of a civilised, urbane, intelligent teacher with the work of the giants of modern art; but most of all because of the inhibiting effects of Medley's critical self-awareness and infectious high seriousness about the practice of art.

In 1983 Medley wrote an autobiography, *Drawn from the Life*, which began as a record of the easily forgotten era of the Group Theatre. Robert Medley's lifelong friend Robert Wellington described him in manner as "warm, generous extrovert, physically large, apt to bump into you when you meet with an affectionate exuberance". He continued painting to within days of his death.

PROFESSOR P. B. MOON

Professor P. B. Moon, FRS, atomic and nuclear physicist, died in Worcester on October 9 aged 87. He was born in Lewisham, south London, on May 17, 1907.



WORKING with his colleague, J. R. Tillman, Philip Moon, conclusively demonstrated in 1935 the production of "thermal" neutrons from fast neutrons diffusing through hydrogenous material. They also found that such neutrons were selectively absorbed by particular nuclei. This, together with related work by Amaldi and Fermi, led to Niels Bohr's proposal that nuclear reactions might proceed via a compound nucleus in which narrow resonant states would be found.

Philip Burton Moon attended Leyton County High School and in 1925 entered Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge. After obtaining a first class degree in physics he became a research student in the Cavendish Laboratory under Lord Rutherford. From 1928 to 1931 he worked with M. L. E. (now Sir Mark) Oliphant on the *collision of atoms with solid* surfaces; it was the exciting period in Cavendish history that immediately preceded Chadwick's discovery of the neutron.

As lecturer in physics at Imperial College, London, under G. P. Thomson, Moon entered enthusiastically into the new science of neutron physics. In 1937 Oliphant was appointed to the Poynting chair of physics in the University of Birmingham and Moon followed him there a year later as lecturer. They intended to build up nuclear physics research on the Nuffield cyclotron accelerator that was then being planned but war intervened and the physics department concentrated its resources instead on the development of microwave radar. Moon himself worked on microwave receivers but left the field when he moved to the Los Alamos Laboratory in the United States as part of the British scientific delegation to the American "Manhattan" project, which was concerned with the military use of atomic energy.

In 1945 Oliphant and Moon returned to Birmingham where their first priority was to strengthen the teaching work of the department under very difficult post-war conditions. It was at this time, while the cyclotron was being completed, that Moon became interested in the apparent difficulty of observing the resonant scattering of gamma rays by nuclei. He soon realised that this was due to large recoil effects and he saw that compensation for these could be achieved by mounting the radiation source on the top of a high-speed rotor. The development of rotors and their applications were to remain close to his heart for the rest of his life.

Oliphant moved to Canberra in 1950 and Moon succeeded him in the Poynting chair, which he held until retirement in 1974, and in the headship of the department of physics which he held until 1970. His tenure saw major growth in the department, the interests of which diversified under his guidance and major developments in the university, to which he contributed by service on innumerable committees. He was deeply involved in the creation of the Birmingham Radiation Centre, for a time a joint venture with the University of Aston and for several years he was Dean of the faculty of science and engineering.

Moon's personal research was highly successful. By 1948 he had observed nuclear resonant scattering of relatively high energy gamma rays using his rotor technique. Further developments in this field were later to lead to the Nobel prize-winning discovery by Mossbauer of recoilless absorption of low-energy gamma rays. Already in his early work he had shown that a beam of fast atoms or molecules could be projected forwards from the tip of a rotor moving in a gas and that such beams, of controllable high speed, could be used to study chemical reactions. In recent years this pioneer work has been taken up and expanded; it influenced similar work in the US by Herschbach who, with others, shared a Nobel prize. The award of the Hughes Medal of the Royal Society to Moon in 1991 recognised these contributions, as well as the neutron work; although always modest about his achievements, the distinction brought him much pleasure.

Those who worked with Philip Moon soon came to admire his unfailing courtesy, his quick wit, enriched so often by an appropriate literary quotation, and above all his devotion to physics. Outside that subject, he enjoyed music, especially chamber music, and found much pleasure at the piano. He was a follower of cricket and an assiduous solver of *The Times*' weekend crossword puzzles. He was elected to the Fellowship of the Royal Society in 1947 and delivered the Rutherford Memorial Lecture of the society in Australia in 1975; he held an honorary DSc degree of the University of Aston in Birmingham. Moon's first wife, Winifred, died in 1971; he is survived by his second wife, Lorna, whom he married in 1974, and by a son and daughter.

PROFESSOR W. A. WEST

Professor W. A. West, academic lawyer, died in London on September 28 aged 78. He was born at Pitlochry, Scotland, on May 30, 1916.



TONY WEST — as he was known — was one of Britain's most distinguished academic lawyers. He was educated at University College School, Hampstead. After five years in the Army, which included a spell at the Ministry of Supply working under Sir Geoffrey Peto, he left to read Law at the University of London's King's College, and for a short time at St Catherine's, Oxford, gaining his LLB and LLM in the process. He was eventually called to the Bar at Gray's Inn in 1947 and practised as a barrister until 1951, when he went into full-time academic teaching specialising in Land Use Planning, Trusts and Estates and Legal History.

He later joined the College of Estate Management in Kensington and helped to found its Law department of which he became head and eventually professor and governor. When the college was subsequently incorporated into the University of Reading, West continued to head the department as Professor of Law until his retirement as professor emeritus. His years at Kensington and Reading will be fondly remembered by many of his former students — some of whom have gone on to become well-established figures in the fields of property development, surveying and environmental planning. His textbook on various aspects of the Law have become standard references for planners and members of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors of which West was an honorary fellow.

After leaving Reading, and at a time when most people would be thinking of turning their thoughts to gardening or other less onerous ways of spending their retirement years, West embarked on what was virtually a second career with American universities. He took on a professorship at Notre Dame University and for some years ran their London Law Program as director, helping them to find their present premises in Albermarle Street, and ensuring that the university's London branch was a success. His task completed, he left Notre Dame as emeritus professor and took a similar post with the University of Detroit Mercy, overseeing their Law Program at their London campus in Kensington Square until his death.

The rapid growth in the number of American universities opening branches in London to which their students could come and spend two, three or more semesters as a part of their degree courses, owes much to West's efforts to ease their way. His advice and guidance were always sought and freely given. He did a great deal to foster cordial relations between the Bar associations of both countries, and his experience and knowledge of the two legal systems, and where they deviate from their shared roots, were widely recognised.

In a long and varied career he nevertheless found time to serve on several bodies, including the Council of National Academic Awards, the Instituto Diritto Agrario Internazionale Camparato, the Law Commission, and the Society of Public Teachers of Law. His extra mural activities including the chairmanship of various charitable organisations with the visual arts with close connection to the Royal Academy, and a lifetime addiction to the game of bridge of which he was a sometime winner of the British Bridge Federation Pairs tournament.

Tony West was twice married, first to Kay Herring, and latterly to Marion Davis who survives him as do five of his children.

RICHARD HERRNSTEIN

Richard Herrnstein, psychologist, died of lung cancer in Belmont, Massachusetts, on September 13 aged 64. He was born in New York on May 20, 1930.

WHEN Richard Herrnstein published an article on the nature of intelligence in the September 1971 issue of *The Atlantic Monthly* magazine, he touched off a firestorm of debate. Liberals were infuriated by his assertion that intelligence was largely inherited, and that society would become divided into castes based on "hereditary meritocracy."

Herrnstein had not actually said that blacks were less intelligent than whites and were condemned to a menial role in society, but this hardly mattered. His critics immediately branded him as racist, while conservative supporters were delighted to have academic confirmation of their view that such social programmes as Head Start, which gives learning help to the disadvantage, were simply a waste of money.

Herrnstein was not alone in his opinion that a child's IQ was determined by his ancestry. It was shared at the time by such luminaries as Hans Eysenck of London, Arthur Jensen of Berkeley, and William Shockley of Stanford, who were more blunt in their assertion that nature had colour-coded individuals, and that black people overall had a lower number of "intelligence genes". Undaunted by the frequent disruption of his Harvard classes by angry students, Herrnstein persisted in propagating his views.

In 1973 he expanded them into a book, *IQ and Meritocracy*, which provoked the Committee Against Racism at the University of Connecticut to take a half-page advertisement in *The New York Times*. The committee's resolution, signed by several hundred supporters, protested against the re-emergence of the doctrine of racial supremacy, condemning Herrnstein's theory as "unscientific as well as socially vicious".

Herrnstein and his supporters were accused of hiding behind the cloak of academic freedom. "Their theories, despite their academic garb," the resolution continued, "do not differ in their scientific character or their social effects from those advanced by American slave owners, the Nazis, or the advocates of apartheid in South Africa".

None of this seemed to deflect Herrnstein, who went on to publish another article in which he asserted not only that IQ was inherited, but that because this was so, compensatory education was futile. In 1985 he produced a second book, *Crime and Human Nature*, in which he fanned the flames by claiming that a propensity towards crime also had biological roots.

Richard Julius Herrnstein's early career gave no indication that he would become involved in such controversy. The child of Hungarian immigrants, he had attained success at Harvard in the 1950s and 1960s as a behavioural psychologist, conducting research on animals and unconcerned with questions of human intelligence. The change appeared to come when he served as chairman of Harvard's psychology department from 1967 to 1971.

Herrnstein's last book, co-authored with Charles Murray, a conservative political analyst, has just been published in the US. Entitled *The Bell Curve*, its extension of his argument that since IQ is fixed by genetics it cannot be changed by environment or learning is likely to add further fuel to the fire.

Richard Herrnstein is survived by his wife, two sons and one daughter.

ADAM LIMENTANI

Adam Limentani, psychoanalyst, died on September 9 aged 81. He was born on July 6, 1913.



ADAM LIMENTANI was a major force behind the development of psychoanalysis both in this country and internationally. As a training analyst he contributed crucially to the development of numerous psychoanalytical students. He was appointed as one of the consultants of the London Clinic of Psycho-Analysis which offers treatment at reduced fees to needy patients and which is also an integral part of the facilities for training psychoanalysts. He was elected president of the British Psycho-Analytical Society in 1974.

As president of the International Psychoanalytical Association, to which position he was elected in 1981, he took an active interest in the development of psychoanalysis in many different parts of the world — Europe, the United States, Canada, the Far East and, especially, South America.

Adam Limentani came from a well-established Jewish Roman family but emigrated to England in 1938 because of the Italians being declared an Aryan race. He had been an outstanding medical student and had been accepted into the University of Rome. It was there, participating in the studies to differentiate psychosomatic from neurotic disorders, that his interest in psychological conditions developed.

During the war he worked at the Emergency Medical Service in Mill Hill where the clinical side of the Maudsley Hospital had been evacuated and where he met the eminent psychiatrist Aubrey Lewis, who remained an abiding influence in his psychoanalytic work. In May 1940 his work with Dunkirk psychiatric casualties was abruptly stopped because of Italy entering the war. He became an enemy alien and was interned for six months on the Isle of Man. After his release, he held a post as a major in the RAMC from 1941 to 1946 at a military hospital in Talgarth, South Wales.

On leaving the Army, Limentani obtained posts at first Shenley Hospital (which was where he decided to become a psychoanalyst), then St Bartholomew's Hospital and the Italian Hospital. In 1962 he was appointed consultant psychiatrist at the Portman Clinic, an NHS outpatient forensic psychiatry clinic. His psychotherapeutic experience there led him to become one of the foremost contemporary exponents, of the psychoanalytic approaches to sexual deviancy and criminality. His lectures and papers on homosexuality, for example, have been valued guides to practitioners who are approached for help by such individuals. His papers on criminality deal with such issues as violence, the link between childhood delinquency and adult neurosis and the expression of internal distress in criminal acts.

Limentani was first and foremost a clinician. People from all walks of life — including public figures and some from overseas — came to him for treatment. He was remarkably generous to his colleagues: no matter how hard pressed he was by the demands of his work, he would always find time to discuss a colleague's paper with him or to offer support with personal difficulties.

In recognition of his great contributions to those in need of psychological help and to the development of psychoanalysis he was accorded the rare honour, a few months before his death, of being elected honorary vice-president for life of the International Psychoanalytic Association.

Adam Limentani was above all a profoundly humane man who cared deeply for those whom he loved and for those whom he could help. He is survived by his wife Denise and a daughter.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OPENED IN NEW YORK

The General Assembly of the United Nations was opened in New York yesterday when President Truman welcomed delegates to the United States. Mr Truman said that there was no justification for the fears that had been aroused of another world war. There was a universal feeling against the futility and agony of war, and no responsible Government could ignore it. Earlier in the day delegates attended a reception at City Hall in New York, travelling through streets that were lined with cheering crowds.

From our Special Correspondent
Flushing Meadow (N.Y.), Oct 23

President Truman pledged American support, "with all the resources we possess," to the United Nations "in the defence of peace." This meeting of the Assembly, he declared, had a special historic significance for the United States. It symbolized the abandonment by the United States of its policy of isolation. The use of force or the threat of force anywhere in the world to break the peace was of direct concern to the American people. The course of history, by making the United States one of the stronger nations of the world, had placed upon them special responsibilities to conserve their strength and to use it rightly in a world so interdependent as the world of today. "The American people recognize these responsibilities," the President went on. "We shall do our best to meet them both in the making of the peace settlements and in the fulfilment of the long-range of tasks of the United Nations." Mr Truman spoke from the speaker's rostrum beneath the dais of the president of the Assembly. The delegates in groups of 20 at semi-circular tables on the carpeted floor sat facing him and, behind him, a great map of the world in blue and gold, which was the main decoration of the chamber. The draw for seats gave the United Kingdom number one in the front row to the president's left. Thereafter the arrangement was alphabetical, which brought the United States and the Soviet Union also into the front row. The sari of Mrs Pandit, the Indian delegate, and the robes of Saudi Arabia brought a touch of colour into the body of the hall. In the course of his address Mr Truman said:

"After the first world war the United States refused to join the League of Nations and our seat was empty at the first meeting of the League Assembly. This time the United States is not only a member — it is host to the United Nations. This meeting of the Assembly symbolizes the abandonment by the United States of a policy of isolation. The overwhelming majority of the American people, regardless of party, support the United Nations. They are resolved that the United States, to the full limit of its strength, shall contribute to the establishment and maintenance of a just and lasting peace among the nations of the world."

ON THIS DAY

October 24 1946

Fifty one nations assembled to hear President Truman name the four freedoms for which the United Nations stood: freedom of speech and of religion, freedom from want and from fear.

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Joanna Pitman, former Tokyo correspondent of *The Times*, turns an eye — and an ear — to the best foreign language courses on offer

Want to speak more than plain English?

I shall never forget my first lecture of a university degree course in Japanese Studies when I was solemnly informed, along with my four fellow undergraduates, that the main language textbook we would be using for the year was called *Teach Yourself Japanese*. We looked at each other as if we had been slapped in the face with a giant piece of sashimi.

There was not. I later discovered, exactly a glut of Japanese grammatical textbooks on the market at the time, and as it turned out the threat of mutiny quickly abated when we realised that the *Teach Yourself* option would be extremely useful for those of us disinclined to attend all the lectures in person.

For those wanting to master, or merely to get an elementary handle on a new foreign language in the comfort of their own homes, the *Teach Yourself* series of language guides, published by Hodder and Stoughton, is just one excellent example from a whole range of methods of self-teaching language courses on the market today.

Producers of home-use language teaching materials, whether they are CDs, videos, cassettes, books, quizzes or flash cards, or a combination of them all, tend to divide their market broadly into two categories: those wanting to pick up enough of a new language to enjoy a holiday fully, and those with a requirement to command a wider and more profound knowledge of the language — for use in a business context, for example.

Linguaphone, arguably the father of self-teaching language courses, has been producing language tapes and associated materials for over 70 years. Its image is still one of a rather crusty and stilted approach to foreign language learning, one which might teach eager students how to find out about the workings of a certain kind of steam engine or the best place to purchase a Burgundy cummerbund — as opposed to offering pithy phrases that would direct them to the best fish restaurant or secure them a decent room for the night.

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Belying its image, *Linguaphone is in* fact pretty much up with the times, offering contemporary language tuition in 30 languages, in packs designed to suit those with limited time and in need of flexibility in their studying styles.

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The standard Linguaphone language course pack costs around £200, a price competitive with the going rate for private language tuition which ranges from £30 an hour to £70 or £80 for the more obscure or testing languages.

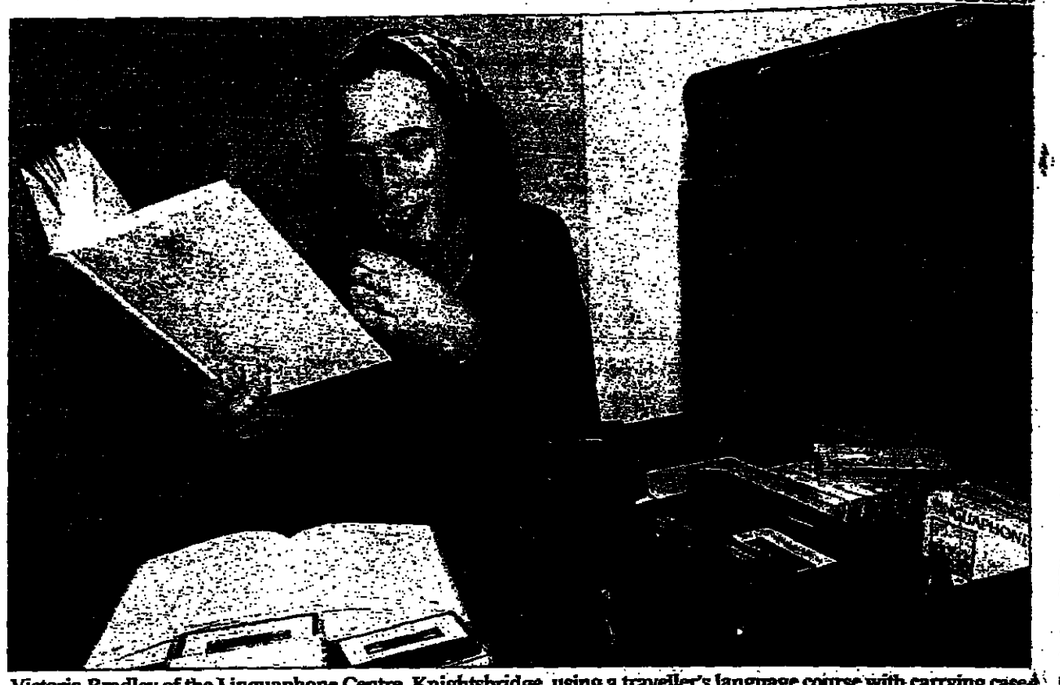
The BBC has developed a wide range of self-teaching language courses, the most up-to-date and flexible of which is perhaps the "multi-media course", a self-study pack of language teaching materials which link television to audio cassettes, CDs, videos and books. The "Italian Master" multi-media pack, for example, will cost between £185 for the cassette pack and £245 for the CD deluxe option.

"There is a lot of role playing and students are encouraged to pick out of the course the kind of material they require," says Nadine Welter, producer of the Italian Master course. "It is pretty comprehensive if you follow all ten units, each of which is an hour long. Different markets can choose the fast or the slow track class to suit their needs. There is a certain amount of effort required, but then that's all part of learning a language."

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NEWS

Major faces clamour over MPs

■ John Major came under mounting pressure to set up an independent inquiry into the rules governing MPs' conduct as a way of defusing the "cash for questions" row.

With Neil Hamilton's future as Junior Trade Minister looking increasingly insecure, the Prime Minister was urged by three former ministers to ask an independent body to examine the whole issue of MPs' interests outside the Commons .....Page 1

British tourist shot dead

■ A British tourist was shot dead and three others were injured when suspected Islamic extremists opened fire on their minibus in southern Egypt. The tour operator had refused to take their clients to the area after Foreign Office advice but they made their own way there ..... Pages 1, 12

IRA warning

Martin McGuinness of Sinn Fein flew to London for the first time in 20 years to give a warning that Ulster violence could flare up again ..... Pages 1, 2

Husband charged

Gordon Wardell, who made an emotional television appeal over the killing of his wife, a building society manager, was charged with her murder ..... Page 1

Quango quest

John Major is planning to let the public nominate candidates for quango appointments to demonstrate that the Government is not loading quangos with its own supporters ..... Page 2

Death fall

A 31-year-old Nigerian died after falling from a four-storey block of flats as immigration and police officers were questioning his pregnant wife ..... Page 3

Mutual menu

In the private dining room at Harrods last Thursday, Roland "Tiny" Rowland and Mohamed Al-Fayed lunched on smoked salmon, a convivial meal between two men intent on expanding mutual interests ..... Page 2

Heathrow emergency

An office block was at risk and hundreds of flights were delayed as engineers fought to stabilise collapsed underground rail workings at Heathrow ..... Page 5

Thousands die

A week after the Indian plague was officially declared dead, cerebral malaria is feared to have killed thousands in the desert region of western Rajasthan, with almost every village infected ..... Page 11

Legal aid fraud

Measures to eliminate waste in the legal aid system, particularly by the hundreds of people who lie to obtain aid, are proposed by the Bar Council ..... Page 7

Costly promises

Tony Blair will try today to distance Labour from expensive pledges contained in the long-awaited report by the Social Justice Commission ..... Page 6

UN rescue

Fuel convoys are due to begin rolling today to UN troops cut off from resupply for three weeks by Bosnian Serbs. Some insiders say the incident highlights the mission's failing ..... Page 10

US blues

America is angrier than at any time in recent history, for reasons that alarm politicians fighting for re-election ..... Page 13

Relative values

One brother headed Margaret Thatcher's kitchen cabinet, another was a Labour image-maker and Tony Blair has chosen the third to be his chief of staff ..... Page 5

Prince under renewed pressure

■ Disclosures of the intensity of the relationship between the Prince of Wales and Camilla Parker Bowles raised further questions about the wisdom of his decision to co-operate with Jonathan Dimbleby over the authorised biography. But Church leaders remained steadfast in their support for the Prince and Princess of Wales ..... Pages 1, 3

SIMON WALKER



Luke McShane, 10, the chess prodigy, at Richmond, southwest London, for an all-play-all tournament. Keene on Chess, page 7

BUSINESS

Electricity: The electricity industry regulator, responsible for curbing prices, faces his toughest challenge ..... Page 45

Underwriting: The City is attempting to rally support for fixed underwriting commissions, under attack for increasing the cost of raising capital ..... Page 48

Amstrad: Alan Sugar's company is thought to be planning a coup against his high street customers, such as Comet and Dixons, by selling computers direct to the consumer ..... Page 48

Pensions: City regulators publish a report into mis-selling of personal pensions tomorrow as the TUC begins a campaign to take legal action against insurance companies ..... Page 48

FEATURES

Just say no: "The harm lies in the gentlemanliness, the deliberate lack of clarity about what is being bought and sold." Libby Purves on freebies ..... Page 17

End of a dream? Roger Boyes reports on the plunging popularity of Lech Walesa ..... Page 17

LIVING AND WORKING

Social science: IQ and the underclass — Professor Richard Lynn on controversial research ..... Page 16

EDUCATION

Blues in the black: Donations, particularly from abroad, flow more easily to Oxford and Cambridge than to other universities, says Tessa Blackstone ..... Page 39

Kong song: An old cinema myth gets an operatic twist tonight when Harrison Birtwistle's new opera *The Second Mrs Kong* opens at Glyndebourne. But in this King Kong there is no Fay Wray, only an eternal romance with Vermeer's *Girl With a Pearl* ..... Page 15

Richer Rambert: Christopher Bruce has a bigger company, orchestra and budget in his new job as artistic director of Rambert Dance Company. How is he using such resources? ..... Page 14

Julie's encore: Julie Andrews has announced she is returning to Broadway. The actress will star in *Victor/Victoria*, a stage adaptation of the transvestite satire that provided one of her best film roles ..... Page 14

Football: Andrei Kanchelskis scored twice as Manchester United beat Blackburn Rovers 4-2 in the FA Carling Premiership .... Page 25

Rugby league: Today Shaun Edwards, the Great Britain captain, faces a disciplinary panel after his sending-off marred his team's victory over Australia ..... Page 31

Rugby union: South Africa face the rest of their tour more acutely aware of the problems caused by muddy pitches after narrowly winning their opening match against Cardiff ..... Page 36

Boxing: Mickey Duff, the London promoter, agrees "adequate compensation" for his boxers after the fiasco caused by the calling off at weigh-in time of a hyped show in Hong Kong ..... Page 33

Cricket: Michael Atherton, the England captain, hopes to leave the phoney war of words behind as his team gets down to the opening match of the Australian tour in Perth tomorrow ..... Page 33

Tennis: Jana Novotna retained her Brighton international championship by defeating her fellow Czech, Helena Sukova, in the final — the first time Novotna had successfully defended a title ..... Page 33

Golf: Colin Montgomerie of Scotland retained the title of leading European golfer when Seve Ballesteros failed to secure first or second place in the Chemapol Czech Open ..... Page 26

The test comes for final-year dental students as they confront their first patients at a London hospital. *Cutting Edge: Open Wide* (Channel 4, 9pm) ..... Page 47

Hamilton and others

In the interests of good government, the Conservatives must now be seen to be taking standards in public life seriously ..... Page 19

A civil crusade

Lord Woolf has confirmed the hopes of those who expected from him the seriousness of enterprise and the quality of intellect which must be employed against the many anachronisms in the civil courts of this country ..... Page 19

Monkey business

King Kong must sing at least one aria tonight to set the toes tapping ..... Page 19

WILLIAM REES-MOGG

The Japanese are investing their savings in the low-labour-cost countries of Asia, even when the new factories compete directly with Japanese domestic industry ... to ride the successive waves of Asian industrial competition ..... Page 18

PETER RIDDELL

The political leader Tony Blair most resembles is Margaret Thatcher. She knew where she wanted to lead the Tories, as he knows where he wants to lead Labour. But their parties lagged, and lag, well behind ..... Page 18

Robert Medley, painter and theatrical designer; Professor P. B. Moon, nuclear physicist; Richard Herrnstein, psychologist ..... Page 21

Do we really need more airports? ..... Page 19

Charles's grandiose self-pity masks his truly sad human situation. He is a reasonably intelligent man captured in a not-too-bright family ... His profession is waiting for his mother to die. All that, alas, is not enough to excuse the terrible hash he has made of things

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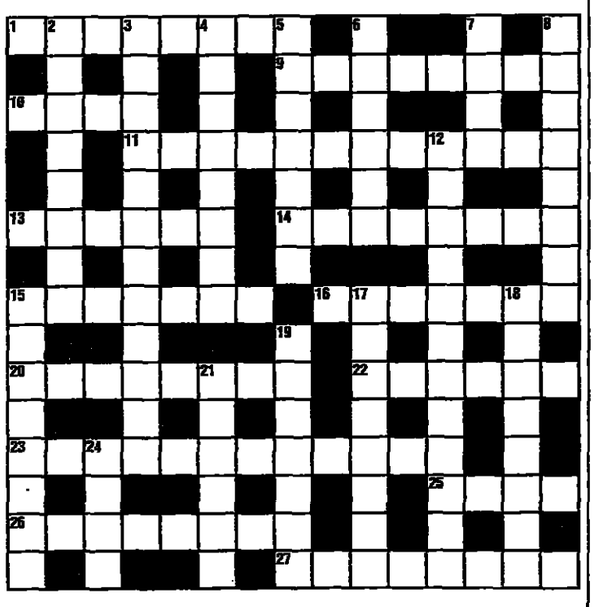


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Richard Cork, art critic, on the disputed Michelangelos at the National Gallery

■ **OPEN WIDE**
Matthew Bond, television reviewer, on the training of Britain's young dentists

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ACROSS

1 Protective covering for butter (8).
9 Lull during fighting (8).
10 Perhaps a familiar cry (4).
11 Isolation from lack of dress sense (3-9).
13 Short for a custodian? That's on purpose (6).
14 Laid up in bed immediately after formation dance (8).
15 Embarrassment shown by those leaving table one by one (7).
16 Measure of anxiety about the Party (7).
20 Imagine one's in Geneva modelling (8).
22 Celebrity vital to those of female gender (6).
23 As a seeker after adventure, Kant admitted sin after dark (6,6).
25 Lift the lid and begin (4).
26 Finished garment may be glossy (8).
27 Nelson had one barometer and part of a telescope (8).

DOWN

2 Corresponding to eleven squared say (3-2-3).
3 Nowt may come of this preparation for civic improvement (4,8).
4 Enthusiasm for cold water (8).
5 The point of writing a small amount to the club (7).
6 Arrested as result of ball held on village green, say (6).
7 Excellent penalty (4).
8 Occasion for prompting (8).
12 Seat for the parlour maid (7-5).
15 Jack may use it to make ends meet (4,4).
17 Agreement bordering on flirtation (8).
18 Hair style for butterflies (8).
19 Harbour in bottom right-hand corner of island (7).
21 Creator we must take our hat off to (6).
24 Fancy concept (4).

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The north of Scotland will have some rain at first, but over most of Scotland and Northern Ireland there will be sunny intervals and showers, more frequent and heavy in the west.

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☐ **London, SE England:** Clear or sunny spells, a few showers, rain in the evening. Wind SW, moderate or fresh. Max 13C (55F).

☐ **E Angila, Midlands, E, Central N England:** Clear or sunny spells, a few showers developing. Wind SW light or moderate. Max 12C (54F).

☐ **Cent S, SW England, Channel Isles, S Wales:** Bright or sunny intervals, showers, some heavy. General rain later. Wind SW, moderate or fresh. Max 13C (55F).

☐ **N Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW, NE, NW Scotland, Glasgow, Moray Firth, Argyll, N Ireland:** Sunny intervals and showers, some heavy possibly with thunder. Wind SW, fresh locally strong. Max 11C (52F).

☐ **NE England, Borders, Edinburgh & Dundee, Aberdeen, Central Highlands:** Clear or sunny intervals, scattered showers. Wind, SW moderate or fresh, locally strong. Max 10-12C (50-54F).

☐ **Orkney, Shetland:** Cloudy, showery rain or longer spells of rain and drizzle. Wind S or SW fresh or strong. Max 10C (50F).

☐ **Outlook:** Unsettled and rather cold, with rain or showers.

24 hrs to 6 pm: t=thunder; d=drizzle; ds=dust storm; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain; h=hail; du=dull; g=gale; sh=shower; b=bright

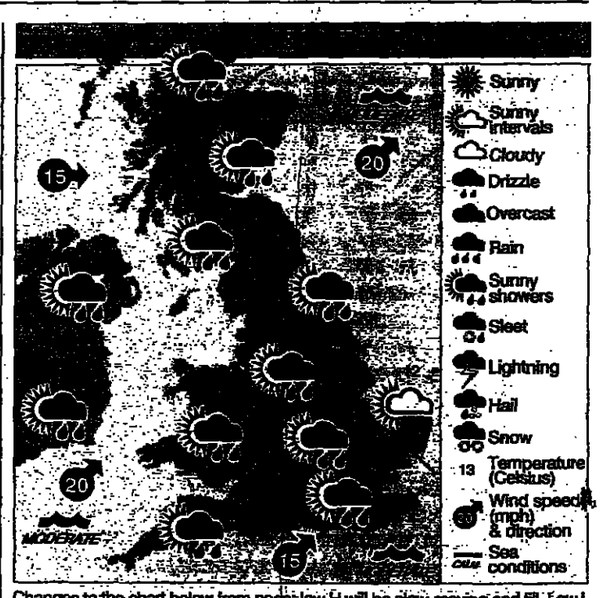
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Anglesey	2.4	0.08	15	59	sh	Manchester	3.3	0.05	15	59	sh
Aspatria	0.5	0.08	13	55	sh	Margate	-	-	14	57	du
Aviemore	0.1	0.03	12	54	r	Minehead	5.2	0.49	17	63	sh
Belfast	0.9	0.08	13	55	r	Morecambe	2.7	0.01	15	61	sh
Birmingham	3.2	0.22	16	61	sh	Newcastle	X	X	13	55	c
Bognor R	4.1	-	16	61	b	Newquay	5.3	0.26	15	59	b
Bournem'th	4.8	0.24	16	61	sh	Norwich	2.6	0.02	16	61	sh
Buxton	0.6	0.11	12	54	du	Nottingham	1.8	0.18	15	59	sh
Cardiff	4.4	0.32	16	61	sh	Oxford	3.4	0.13	15	59	c
Clacton	1.5	-	14	57	c	Penzance	5.7	0.24	16	61	sh
Colwyn Bay	2.4	0.02	11	52	sh	Plymouth	5.3	0.30	15	59	sh
Cromer	2.1	0.05	15	59	b	Poole	4.1	0.07	17	63	r
Doncaster	1.5	0.06	15	59	r	Prestatyn	X				
Dunbar	X					Ross-o-wye	2.5	0.19	16	61	sh
Eastbourne	0.4	-	15	59	c	Ryde	X				
Edinburgh	0.9	-	13	55	du	Scarborough	3.4	0.32	16	61	sh
Eskdalemuir	-	0.02	11	52	sh	Sandown	3.7	-	15	59	b
Exmouth	4.8	0.20	15	59	b	Saunton Snd	5.5	0.16	16	61	s
Falmouth	X	0.31	16	61	c	Scarboro'	-	-	13	55	c
Fishguard	3.7	0.22	14	57	sh	Scilly Isles	5.1	0.09	15	59	c
Folkestone	2.1	-	15	59	b	Shanklin	2.0	-	15	59	c
Glasgow	0.3	0.02	13	55	du	Shrewsbury	2.6	0.06	15	59	sh
Guernsey	5.9	0.01	16	61	b	Skegness	3.7	-	15	59	s
Hastings	1.0	-	15	59	c	Southend	1.8	-	14	57	c
Herne Bay	1.0	-	15	59	c	Southport	1.8	0.16	15	59	c
Hove	2.3	-	15	59	c	Southsea	4.5	0.02	16	61	s
Hunstanton	3.3	-	16	61	b	Stornoway	6.7	0.02	13	55	sh
Ilfracombe	X					Swanage	4.2	0.06	16	61	sh
Isle of Man	0.7	0.04	15	59	sh	Teignmouth	5.5	0.46	16	61	sh
Jersey	6.1	-	18	64	b	Tenby	X				
Kinloss	-	-	13	55	c	Tiree	0.2	0.04	12	54	c
Leeds	0.4	0.03	14	57	sh	Torquay	5.0	0.33	16	61	b
Lerwick	-	0.17	9	48	r	Tynemouth	0.4	-	12	54	r
Leuchars	-	-	12	54	du	Ventnor	6.8	-	17	63	b
Littlehmpton	4.0	-	16	61	b	West-s-mare	X				
Liverpool	2.1	-	15	59	c	Weymouth	3.9	0.15	15	59	sh
London	2.2	-	16	61	c						

These are Saturday's figures

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Ajaccio	17	63	r	C'phagn	10	50	c	Madrid	18	64	f
Alcatri	27	81	c	Corfu	25	77	s	Majorca	22	72	s
Alex'dria	24	75	f	Dublin	11	52	c	Malaga	24	75	s
Algiers	25	77	f	Dubrovnik	22	72	s	Malta	24	75	f
Amst'dm	15	59	f	Faro	22	72	s	Melb'rne	25	77	s
Athens	22	72	c	Florence	13	55	r	Miami	28	84	c
Bahrain	32	90	s	Frankfurt	15	59	f	Milan	10	50	r
Bangkok	28	82	s	Funchal	24	75	f	Montreal	13	55	c
Barbados	29	84	f	Geneva	15	59	f	Moscow	5	41	s
Barcelona	23	73	f	Gibraltar	20	68	c	Munich	11	52	r
Beirut	31	88	s	Helsinki	4	39	s	Nairobi	23	73	c
Belgrade	17	63	s	Hong K	24	75	s	Naples	22	72	f
Berlin	13	55	f	Innsbruck	15	59	f	N Delhi	33	91	s
Bermuda	25	77	f	Istanbul	19	66	r	N York	19	66	c
Biarritz	18	64	f	Jeddah	37	99	s	Nice	17	63	r
Bordx	16	61	f	Jo'burg	27	81	s	Oslo	6	43	r
Brussels	15	59	f	Karachi	36	97	s	Paris	13	55	c
Budapst	13	55	c	L Palmas	24	75	s	Peking	18	64	s
B Aires	21	70	f	Le Touqt	15	59	f	Perth	20	68	c
Cairo	30	86	c	Lisbon	19	66	f	Prague	7	45	c
Cape Tn	22	72	s	Locarno	13	55	d	Reykjavik	5	41	f
Chicago	22	72	s	L Angels	21	70	f	Rhodes	26	79	f
Ch'church	10	50	c	Luxembg	14	57	c	Rio de J	26	79	f
Cologne	17	63	f	Luxor	37	99	s	Riyadh	32	90	s
Rome	20	68	f	Wash'ton	21	70	f
Salzburg	10	50	r	Wel'ngton	8	46	s
S F'isco	18	64	s	Zurich	12	54	c
Santiago	23	73	s				
S Paulo	23	73	c				
Seoul	21	70	s				
Sing'por	26	77	r				
St'kholm	8	46	c				
Strasb'rg	16	61	f				
Sydney	19	66	f				
Tangier	19	66	c				
Tel Aviv	36	97	s				
Tenerife	23	73	f				
Tokyo	21	70	s				
Toronto	14	57	f				
Tunis	23	73	f				
Valencia	22	72	s				
Vanc'ver	10	50	f				
Venice	12	54	r				
Vienna	11	52	s				
Warsaw	10	50	f				
Wash'ton	21	70	f				
Wel'ngton	8	46	s				
Zurich	12	54	c				

Temperatures at midday local time. X = not available



Changes to the chart below from noon: low H will be slow-moving and fill. Low I will move southeastwards and fill. Low P will move eastwards and fill. Low Z will be slow-moving and fill



TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT	TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	6.57	6.6	4.20	6.8	Liverpool	1.19	8.6	1.37	8.8
Aberdeen	3.42	3.8	3.54	3.9	Lowestoft	-	-	12.02	2.4
Avonmouth	9.23	12.0	9.41	11.8	Margate	2.00	4.6	2.17	4.5
Belfast	1.09	3.2	1.39	3.4	Milford Haven	8.25	6.2	8.43	6.1
Cardiff	9.05	11.23	9.25	11.77	Newquay	7.18	8.2	7.39	8.1
Devonport	7.56	5.1	18.13	5.9	Oban	7.46	3.7	8.09	3.6
Dover	1.03	6.3	1.08	6.5	Penzance	6.59	5.2	7.17	4.8
Falmouth	7.26	4.8	7.43	4.7	Portland	8.32	1.9	9.00	1.8
Glasgow	3.11	4.6	3.22	4.9	Portsmouth	1.28	4.4	1.42	4.4
Hamelch	1.53	3.9	2.12	3.8	Shoreham	1.11	5.8	1.30	5.7
Holyhead	12.25	5.2	12.42	5.2	Southampton	12.53	4.3	1.12	4.3
Hull	8.37	6.77	8.45	6.71	Swansea	8.31	8.6	8.48	8.3
Ilfracombe	8.07	8.35	8.28	8.04	Tees	5.57	4.8	6.14	4.8
King's Lynn	6.40	6.1	6.51	6.1	Weston-s-Mare	1.44	4.0	2.08	4.0
Leith	6.54	5.2	7.11	5.1					

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Sun rises: 6.40 am — Sun sets: 4.49 pm

Moon sets: 7.57 pm — Moon rises: 11.15 am

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Bristol 4.59 pm to 6.54 am
Edinburgh 4.57 pm to 7.04 am
Manchester 4.53 pm to 6.54 am
Penzance 5.14 pm to 7.0 am

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Hughes, the Manchester United striker, slides in to force a shot past Gale's outstretched boot at Ewood Park yesterday. Hughes later scored in their 4-2 victory. Photograph: Neal Simpson/Empics

Champions ignore controversy to dismiss Blackburn challenge

United pass test of character



Rob Hughes sees much to admire and admonish in a stormy 4-2 Premiership win at Ewood Park

THIS football match, raw, compelling and turning on a moment of rank controversy, showed where Manchester United's heart lies. They capitalised on the stroke of half-time, when Henning Berg was adjudged not only to have fouled Lee Sharpe inside the penalty area, but was also sent off. After that there was no question that United possess the stamina, the spirit, the willpower to go on and contest their third consecutive FA Carling Premiership title.

The subtleties of Europe were foreign to what was taking place at Ewood Park yesterday. The heavens had burst over the new Walker Steel stadium, an ugly, grey afternoon, and very soon there was spite and rancour in the tackles and in the factions of the crowd, which seemed to believe that the championship is something more of a Northern League affair.

Perhaps they are right, and certainly the Rovers followers were right to be incensed in the opening minutes when Keane, asked to play not only with his hernia problem but also out of position at right back, twice hurtled into Le Saux with tackles that showed no care for the legalities of the game, much less for the welfare of a fellow professional. That it was Keane who had to leave the field to have stitches on the back of the neck, where Le Saux's boot had inadvertently caught him, was justice of a kind.

What was at stake was not only the feeling that this might be a pivotal afternoon in the 1994-95 championship, but also the pride of Blackburn, who had not lost here for 13 months and who had started this campaign with five straight home victories. United, by contrast, had lost three times in a row away from Old Trafford. It had given rise to the rumour that the league concerned them rather less than glory in Europe, and at the kick-off they were ten points off the pace set by Newcastle United.

They looked even further adrift in the thirteenth minute, when Schmeichel, their Danish goalkeeper, gifted the opening goal to Warhurst. Perhaps believing too readily in the assessment of Bobby Charlton that he is now the undisputed No 1 goalkeeper in the world, Schmeichel erred calamitously in attempting to punch away a free kick from Le Saux. It dropped straight to the feet of Warhurst, and was dispatched with unforgiving force back over the stranded goalkeeper's head, straight and true beneath the crossbar from some 30 yards.

By the 34th minute, three names had gone into Gerald Ashby's book for fouls, Bruce, Sutton and Berg. And though the passing quality of Rovers, the cooler heads of both sets of players, had seemed to take the sting out of the exchanges, all that composure disappeared seconds before half-time. Hughes, his back to goal as always, had superbly controlled a slippery ball. He flicked it behind Berg, inviting Sharpe to accelerate towards the goal, and at that moment, seemingly beaten, Berg collided into Sharpe.

A red card, not even interpretation of a double yellow, was the referee's instant judgment, a penalty too, which Cantona, with some arrogance, converted. That levelled the score but not the tempers. Berg insisted afterwards that he played and won the ball, that if anything Sharpe had barged him first.

Ashby declined to view the incident on Sky television, as recent referees had readily done, and that provoked Kenny Dalglish, the Rovers manager, to claim that Berg clearly won the ball, that video should be used to punish referees, that his club would appeal.

Quite what they would appeal for, and to whom, is a moot point. But for certain the moment turned the match round, perhaps even turned the championship.

Dalglish compounded what he had lost in those vital seconds by surrendering all initiative, taking Sutton out of his attack to defend in a five-man back line, and also withdrawing Warhurst from midfield to right back. Nevertheless, his team drew first blood in the newly-charged atmosphere.

They took the lead for the second time in the 51st minute, a quick free kick from Wilcox being met with thunderous power by the head of Hendry, and Schmeichel once again seemed ponderous as he dived to his left, only to push the ball inside the post. But within 30 seconds Blackburn were caught lacking concentration, and Kanchelskis was running at them on the right flank. His cross was half-blocked by Hendry, and from the rebound, Kanchelskis hit the ball hard, low and with unstoppable precision to equalise.

And now, United were beginning to do what a good side always should: they were making the most of their extra man, passing with accuracy and care, controlling the game and the breaks.

They struck in the 66th minute, with the help of abject carelessness from Le Saux. The England left back was under no extreme pressure when he committed the schoolboy error of passing the ball across the face of his own goal. Hughes could not believe his good fortune. He alertly gathered it, saw Flowers stranded, and chipped the ball into the unguarded net.

And then, to conclude the scoring and to pour salt on to the wounds of Blackburn's perceived injustice, United broke the length of the field. Cantona released Sharpe, and from his judicious through-

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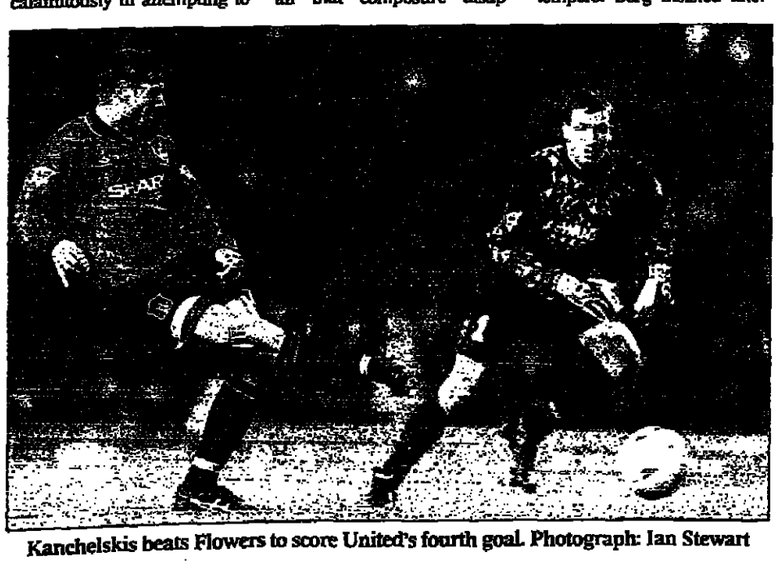
ball Kanchelskis was free to to sidestep Flowers and to place the ball into the goal.

When it was over, the referee left quietly, Dalglish and Berg raged loudly, and Alex Ferguson, the United manager, had to be honest. "My initial reaction was that it was a penalty," he said, "but after seeing the video, Berg definitely played the ball first." The appeals will therefore go on.

BLACKBURN ROVERS (4-4-2): T Flowers — H Berg, A Gale (sub: I Pearce, 84min), C Hendry, G Le Saux — S Ripley, P Warhurst, M Atkins (sub: R Slater, 84), J Wilcox, A Shearer, C Sutton.

MANCHESTER UNITED (4-4-2): P Schmeichel — R Keane, S Bruce, G Pallister, D Irwin — A Kanchelskis, P Ince, N Butt (sub: B McClair, 82), L Sharpe — E Cantona, M Hughes

Referee: G Ashby



Kanchelskis beats Flowers to score United's fourth goal. Photograph: Ian Stewart

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Ballesteros fails in last-ditch bid to be No 1 again

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

COLIN Montgomerie yesterday retained his title as Europe's No 1 golfer for the second successive year after Severiano Ballesteros failed to finish in the top two at the Czech Open in Mariendbad. The tournament was won by Per-Ulrik Johansson, of Sweden.

Ballesteros had begun the tournament £148,000 behind Montgomerie, who did not take part, in the Volvo order of merit. The Spaniard had to finish in the first two and then win the final European Tour event of the season at Valderrama next week to become the No 1 for the seventh time.

Johansson, with a last round of 66, took the £83,330 first prize on an 11-under-par aggregate of 237. Klas Eriksson, also from Sweden, scored a final-round 67 for 240, and won £55,550 for second place. Ballesteros, joint tenth on 244, four under par, after a final round of 70, had to be content with £8,077.

Frost had made three greens unplayable on the first three days so the opening rounds were played over 15 holes. Yesterday, with the tournament well behind schedule, the last round was played over 18 holes in shotgun fashion, with all 70 players starting at the same time from different tees. It was the only way the event could be completed in daylight.

Ballesteros, though disappointed at losing his chance to challenge Montgomerie, said: "I played a lot better than my score suggested. This has been a hard week for everyone but at least I was here and trying very hard."

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United States regain Solheim Cup in emphatic fashion at The Greenbrier

Europe singled out for crushing defeat

John Hopkins reports from The Greenbrier on a day dominated by the home team

STEVE MUNDAY/ALLSPORT



Alfredsson tees off at the 1st to start her match against King yesterday. Her 2 and 1 victory earned Europe one of their two points on the last day



Mochrie aggressive

THE United States, having been behind after the first day and level after the second, swept powerfully to victory on the third day of the third Solheim Cup here yesterday. Europe were outplayed in the singles, the Americans winning the ten matches by the lopsided score of 8-2 and the match 13-7. The United States thus regained the trophy they had lost at Dalmahoy, Edinburgh, two years ago.

Singles was always going to be the most difficult form of play for Europe, whose team could not match the Americans in depth. Laura Davies had wanted Europe to lead by one point or even two going into the third day. "If we do that, then we have a chance," Davies had said. In fact, the two teams were tied and, as the pressure built up on the last day, Europe went to pieces. - Dottie Mochrie, as feisty a competitor as ever wore the Stars and Stripes, gave the Americans the first point. She played inspired golf, with birdies at seven of her 13 holes, and overwhelmed Catrin Nilsmark.

The surge by the Americans that followed Mochrie's victory, by 6 and 5, quickly turned the match from being fairly even into a rout. From the European point of view, there was none of the inspiration that was present on that wet afternoon at Dalmahoy, which made that occasion so memorable.

Even Davies, normally so strong and previously unbeaten in singles in this competition, failed to stem the American tide.

"After having had our noses rubbed in it for two years it's a great feeling to have it back," Patti Sheehan said. Sheehan was one of the two Americans to lose yesterday. Alison Nicholas needed to play little better than par golf to defeat her 3 and 2. The other European winner was Helen Alfredsson, who played in the leading match and defeated Betsy King by 2 and 1.

"We knew we had to play wonderful golf to win and we did not do it," Mickey Walker, the Europe team captain, said. "I still think it was a wonderful European performance and I am very proud of my team. The United States were really tough this afternoon. I am sure we can win the cup back again when it is held at St Pierre in two years' time."

For the early part of the day there was little between the two teams. At midday, the scoreboard by the 9th green indicated the score was 4-4 and two matches were all square at that moment. In eight of the ten matches there was no more than one hole between the two players.

This form of golf is one occasion you want to be not in two places at once but five or six. Do you stay with the top match, where Alfredsson is about to beat King, an important match for Europe? Or do you make a dash back down the course to see how Davies is doing? Suddenly, a cheer goes up from the 9th green. Pam Wright has holed a bunker shot for a two and has got back to all square with Meg Mallon.

Alfredsson looks a nervous player, constantly fidgeting at the address and quite often taking up the address position only to turn away, walk around and start all over again. King, who had been behind since the 2nd, where she missed a tiny putt, had drawn level by the 10th. Alfredsson parred the short 11th and then was given two further holes when her pars were good enough to win the 12th and 13th.

King's putting was the weakest part of her game. On the 14th and 16th she missed from six feet. When she did so again on the 17th, Alfredsson had won 2 and 1. "I'm sure my win helps," Alfredsson said after shaking hands with King. "Maybe we can scramble another four points from somewhere?"

There was to be no such successful scramble by Europe. Lora Fairclough could not putt as well as she had on the first two days and went down to Kelly Robbins. Trish Johnson looked for a while as though she might surprise Beth Daniel. "This would really be one against the head," a spectator, a rugby enthusiast, said as he watched Johnson take a one-hole lead over Daniel on the 8th. Often, the golf was not very good. Sherri Steinhauer came home in 42 against a par of 36 and still managed to beat Dale Reid by two holes.

Mallon's victory over Wright gave the United States sufficient points to win the trophy. Wright bravely holed from seven feet to birdie the 17th and keep the match alive but she had been up against it all afternoon and could do no more than a par five on the last hole.

Davies's loss to Burton was the one that hurt Europe most. The match was over by then and the wisdom of playing Davies so low in the order must be questioned. She had privately indicated her dissatisfaction at being so low. She had wanted to go out top, to lead her team-mates from the front, to show them how to do it just as she had two years ago.

She and Burton, two long hitters who both have an exceptionally deft touch around the greens, were made for each other. Only five of the first 15 holes were halved yet Davies looked to have the edge. She was two up at the turn and fulfilling her role as Europe's strongest player and the world's No 1.

However, Burton's putting, which had been so good in the fourballs on Saturday, came to her rescue once again. She holed from ten feet to level the match on the 15th and could hardly believe her luck when she watched Davies hit her second shot into the water on the 16th.

"We had our chances and we didn't do it," Davies said. JoAnne Carner burst into tears when Mallon's victory gave the United States the trophy. "I didn't think it would end that early. I'm overcome with emotion," the United States captain said.

Higgins appears poised to extend Scottish dominance

BY PHIL YATES

JOHN Higgins was within three frames of maintaining the Scottish domination of important snooker tournaments as he led Dave Harold 6-2 in the final of the Skoda Grand Prix at the Assembly Rooms, Derby, yesterday.

Stephen Hendry retained the world title in May and Alan McManus prevailed in the first ranking event of the new season earlier this month when he beat Peter Ebdon in the Dubai Classic final. While neither of those results was surprising, the same cannot be said for the run of success that Higgins has recently enjoyed.

Having played superbly to win the Australian Open in August, Higgins was widely expected to improve significantly on his 51st position in the world rankings. That prospect became a distinct possibility when he eliminated James Wattana in the last 16 and Ronnie O'Sullivan in the quarter-finals, and it developed into a strong probability yesterday after the final's opening session.

Higgins, 19, will inevitably be compared with O'Sullivan, 18, but while O'Sullivan, the UK and British Open champion, undoubtedly possesses greater flair, Higgins displays maturity beyond his years.

Higgins's tactical acumen proved to be his biggest asset against Harold in that he forced scoring opportunities with shrewd safety. That was particularly the case in the opening frame, which Higgins won comfortably.



Higgins: commanding lead

Harold, no doubt feeling somewhat drained after recovering from 6-8 to edge out Andy Hicks 9-8 in the semi-finals late on Saturday night, levelled at 1-1 by clearing green to pink in the second frame. But, thereafter, last year's Asian Open champion struggled for consistency.

A break of 48 gave Harold the initiative in the third frame before he missed a red. Higgins responded with 67, later added brown to pink for 2-1 and then never looked back. Harold briefly threatened his opponent's supremacy with a decisive break of 70 in the fifth frame for 2-3 but Higgins, assisted by runs of 46 and 62, then built a 5-2 advantage. The closing frame of the afternoon was of immense importance.

In first with 36, Harold appeared set to limit his interval arrears to manageable proportions at 3-5. But then he attempted, and misjudged, a plant and Higgins moved into a commanding 6-2 lead thanks to a composed clearance of 92.

At that point there was nothing to indicate that Higgins was not capable of joining Hendry and O'Sullivan as the only winner of a ranking event while still in his teens. Hendry and O'Sullivan fulfilled their potential earlier than anticipated, Higgins was on the verge of doing the same.

He required only three of the remaining nine frames last night to succeed Peter Ebdon as the Grand Prix champion, collect a first prize of £60,000 and become the second player this year to sever a long established management partnership and then win the next tournament he entered.

McManus did precisely that at the Benson and Hedges Masters in February. Now Higgins, who left Team Sweatershop two weeks ago, could well follow suit.

FINAL: J Higgins (Scot) leads D Harold (Eng) 6-2. Frame scores (Higgins first): 98-10, 41-64, 82-48, 72-9, 1-75, 67-9, 74-0, 93-36.

Record for Clark but defeat for England

GILL Clark became England's most capped badminton player at the Polkyth Leisure Centre, in St Austell, last night (Richard Eaton writes). The celebrations were muted, however, as Clark and Julian Robertson lost 15-10, 15-11 to Yang Ming and Yao Jie, and China went into an unassailable 3-0 lead in the match and so took the six-match series.

Nevertheless, there were moments of enduring skill in Clark's 144th appearance for her country. Some of her mobility has gone and she is accurate rather than penetrating with her smash, but there was enough to support her contention that, at the age of 32, she is physically strong enough to continue, although, mentally, she has now had enough.

Robertson, 25, battling to win a regular place in the England squad, supplied some fierce smashes and some voracious court coverage, but he also made unexpected mistakes.

The first match saw Anders Nielsen, bronze medal-winner in the European championships, lose 15-9, 15-6 to the world junior champion, Chen Gang.

Gymkhana skill is not enough

BY SYDNEY FRISKIN

SURBITON launched a full-scale assault against Indian Gymkhana to win 2-1 and take over the leadership of the national hockey league at Feltham School yesterday.

Gymkhana started well enough but soon discovered that skill alone could not sustain them. Daljit Hanspal put them ahead in the twelfth minute with a well-taken goal but was deprived of another when Miles rushed out of goal to smother his shot.

As Surbiton gathered pace the short corners poured in and Molloy converted the third of six awarded in the first half to square the match in the 26th minute. The pattern continued in the second half but there was no score until the 66th minute, when Molloy took advantage of Surbiton's ninth short corner to make the match safe. In the dying seconds a despairing effort by Kulbir Bhaura summoned Miles to save at the expense of a short corner that came to nothing.

Hull, at home, defeated Canterbury 2-1 for their second victory with goals by Steve Moat and Sheardown after Evenett had given Canterbury the lead in the fifteenth minute. The remaining first division match between Trojans and Bournville ended goalless.

Des Betts scored two goals from short corners for Barford Tigers, who beat Crostyx 3-1 in the second division, with Mann adding to the score. Whitford replied for Crostyx.

A late goal by Goddard for Cambridge City was not enough to avert defeat by Doncaster, who had earlier scored twice through Wood from a short corner and Woods from open play.

Bromley, one of the relegated teams that had made a good start last week, lost 2-1 to Oxford University, whose goals were scored early by Bell from a short corner and Laird. Haines, from a short corner, reduced the lead in the 32nd minute. St Albans, the other relegated team, secured a 1-1 draw with Edgbaston.

Whitchurch, the first Welsh club to play in the English league, won 2-1 against Richmond with goals by Stirzeaker — from a short corner — and Savage. Whitchurch were leading by two goals until Stocks reduced the lead in the 65th minute from a short corner, then Richmond lost Cook — who was suspended for a minor offence — and had further woe when a penalty stroke by Elmett in the last 30 seconds landed against the crossbar.

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Senna's death caused by 'puncture to visor'

AYRTON Senna was killed by a piece of his car that punctured his visor and fractured his skull when he crashed at the San Marino Grand Prix in May, sources in Italy said yesterday. A radio station reported that an autopsy had shown a 2cm perforation above the right eyebrow of the three-times world champion. Part of the suspension and the right front wheel of Senna's car sheared off and was thrust into the cockpit when the Brazilian hit a wall at Imola.

The causes of the crash are being investigated by magistrates in Bologna. The Italian radio report added that Senna otherwise suffered only bruising to the back and would have survived had the fragment not struck him. It also said that a broken steering column probably caused the crash, and that further tests would be carried out next week to establish whether this was indeed the case.

Setback for Beavers

ICE HOCKEY: Basingstoke Beavers lost their 100 per cent record and their lead at the top of the premier division was cut to one point when they lost 6-4 to Sheffield Steelers, who remain unbeaten. The former Toronto Maple Leaf, Rocky Saganiuk, inspired Durham Wasps to their first league win, 11-3 against Milton Keynes Kings.

Dixon leads rankings

EQUESTRIANISM: Karen Dixon regained the leadership of the Land Rover world rider rankings with fifth place as Mary Thomson, her British team-mate, just missed victory in the Le Lion d'Angers three-day event in France yesterday. Thomson finished level on points with Andrew Hoy, but the Australian had a better time over the cross-country stage.

Catt in cash inquiry

RUGBY UNION: England have been asked to investigate Mike Catt's statement that he was paid for playing while living in South Africa. The international board raised the matter last week. Catt, the England and Bath stand-off half, has revealed that he had been given £200 for each match by Eastern Province, who say that the money was for expenses.

Ten injured at match

FOOTBALL: Ten people, including three police officers, were injured during trouble before and after the match between Napoli and Bari in Naples yesterday, which Napoli won 3-0. The injuries happened when police tried to control scuffles between supporters. After the game, riot police were involved in a confrontation with supporters at a station.

Seeds fall in France

REAL TENNIS: The two leading seeds in the French Open championship have been beaten in the semi-finals. Robert Fahey, of Australia, the world champion, went out to Chris Bray, the Petworth professional, 6-3, 5-6, 3-6, 0-6. The former world champion, Wayne Davies, of Australia, beat Julian Snow, the British No 1, 6-5, 6-2, 6-2.

Hammond holds on

CYCLO-CROSS: Roger Hammond, the Great Britain champion, won the opening round of the National Trophy four-race series in Manchester yesterday, beating Steve Douce, the holder, by one second in an uphill finish after leading by 40 seconds halfway through the 13-mile event. His winning time was 1hr 3min 32sec.

Canny Lynam first name on the teamsheet



MATTHEW BOND

TV ACTION REPLAY

By yesterday afternoon I knew I was pushing my luck. Even as I uttered them, the normally magic words "but it's Manchester United ..." seemed to die in my throat. There was a pause, a significant pause. "I thought it was Manchester United on Wednesday night," she replied icily. "Just as it was Nottingham Forest on Monday night, Newcastle on Tuesday night and Chelsea on Thursday night."

Not forgetting, I thought with quiet pride, edited highlights of Aston Villa's and Arsenal's European forays. Yes, it had been quite a week, a week of eight live halves — ten if I got to the remote controls before Blackburn Rovers and Manchester United kicked off.

But the statistics did not stop there. There had been three television channels — four if you counted Eurosport's recorded coverage of Arsenal's encounter with Brondby, which sadly I couldn't as I had fallen asleep. But that still left three anchormen, three match commentators, five studio experts and three commentary-box summarisers. And that was before Blackburn Rovers v Manchester United. A game of fantasy commentary team was not going to be straightforward.

Up front in the striker's role of commentary-box summariser the choice was between the BBC's Trevor Brooking, ITV's Kevin Keegan and Sky's Andy Gray. Brooking, although much improved since the arrival of Alan Hansen, is still the ultimate summariser of two halves. On the one hand he wants to say this, but on the other hand he wouldn't want you to think for a minute he couldn't see the other chap's point of view. Naturally well-balanced, Brooking is fond of saying things like: "Although Newcastle have only got the one goal in the second half, they've done better than in the first half when they got two."

As for Keegan, he now runs round clichés the sort of circles he used to reserve for defenders. "If you don't make hay while the sun shines, the rain could be just around the corner." Probably a good thing his day job is going so well. No, my vote goes to Gray, a turbo-charged summariser and just the sort of person a commentator wants alongside for a match heading for a 0-0 draw.

Gray could make watching grass grow sound exciting and is still the master of the set piece. "It's no a stretcher he wants," he said of a prostrate unfortunate from FK Austria, "it's an Oscar."

Among the midfield studio experts, Jimmy Hill and Hansen take a lot of beating, despite the latter's fondness for melodrama. Argentina may have had the "hand of God" and ITV may now have "the voice of Venables", but it was Hill who was bang on with his first serious comment about Newcastle v Athletic Bilbao. "The wonderful atmosphere this crowd can generate can get them over-excited."

As for the one-team specialists, Denis Law and David Webb, it was Webb who just edged best joke of the week with his response to Martin Tyler's observation that the one thing about the Chelsea chairman, Ken Bates, was that you always knew where you stood. "Well, you do once you've left."

Choosing between Barry Davies, Brian Moore, and Martin Tyler for match commentator is a much tougher task, as all three admirably resisted the constant temptation — especially in European football — to lapse into Alan Parry-like bursts of partisan hyperbole. Still, I'm not sure Moore really needed to go the full 90 minutes without explaining why Koeman was being booed by the Old Trafford crowd. Did that crowd not like turquoise?

Despite the relaxed styles of the newly-transferred Bob Wilson on ITV and Richard Keys on Sky, one name writes itself onto the commentary teamsheet at sweeper, Desmond Lynam — if only for being the one anchorman who never forgets there is a non-footballing audience out there. One with its own plans for Sunday afternoon.



HOLE-BY-HOLE GUIDE TO THE SOLHEIM CUP

American names first
US win W= won
European win C= conceded

The Greenbrier, West Virginia: par 72 (6,330 yards)
Outward nine - 36 (3,115 yards); Inward nine - 36 (3,215 yards)

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Result
Yards	368	388	475	145	527	380	194	474	164	339	140	510	384	305	426	397	160	554	
Par	4	4	5	3	5	4	3	5	3	4	3	5	4	4	4	4	3	5	
FRIDAY: Foursomes : United States 2 Europe 2																			
SATURDAY: Fourballs																			
D Mochrie and B Burton	4	4	4	3	5	4	2	4	5	4	2	4	4	3	4	4	3		2&1
L Davies and A Nicholas	3	4	5	3	4	4	3	4	3	3	3	5	4	4	4	4	3		
E Daniel and M Mallon	3	4	4	3	5	4	3	4	3	3	2	4	W						7&5
A Sorenstam and C Nilsmark	4	4	5	3	5	4	3	5	3	4	3	5	C						
T Green and K Robbins	4	4	5	3	5	4	3	4	3	4	2	5	4	4	C				5&3
D Reid and L Fairclough	5	3	4	3	5	4	3	5	3	3	2	4	3	3	W				
D Andrews and E King	4	4	4	3	5	4	3	4	3	3	2	4	3	3	5	W			3&2
P Wright and T Johnson	4	4	6	3	5	4	3	4	2	4	3	5	5	3	4	C			
P Sheehan and S Steinhauer	4	4	5	3	5	4	3	4	3	4	2	4	4	3	4	4	3	5	1 hole
L Neumann and H Alfredsson	4	4	4	3	5	4	2	4	3	4	3	4	3	4	4	4	3	5	
Fourballs result: United States 3 Europe 2 : Match position: United States 5 Europe 3																			
YESTERDAY: Singles																			
B King	5	5	5	3	5	4	3	5	3	4	4	5	5	5	4	4	3		2&1
H Alfredsson	5	4	5	3	4	4	4	5	3	5	3	5	4	4	5	4	3		

D Mochrie	4	4	5	2	5	3	2	4	2	4	2	5	3						6&5
C Nilsmark	4	6	5	3	5	5	3	4	3	4	3	4	4						
T Daniel	4	2	5	4	4	3	4	6	3	4	3	4	4	5	4	4	3	5	2 holes
T Johnson	3	C	5	3	6	4	3	5	3	4	4	5	4	5	4	4	3	6	
K Robbins	4	4	5	2	5	4	4	5	4	3	4	5	4	5	3	4			4&2
L Fairclough	5	4	6	4	5	6	3	5	2	4	3	5	5	4	4	6			
M Mallon	4	3	4	2	5	6	3	5	3	3	2	5	5	4	5	4	2	5	1 hole
P Wright	4	4	4	3	5	4	3	5	2	4	3	4	5	5	4	4	2	5	
P Sheehan	4	4	5	3	5	5	4	5	3	4	2	5	3	C	5	4			3&2
A Nicholas	4	4	5	2	5	4	3	5	3	4	3	5	4	W	4	4			
B Burton	4	4	5	3	5	5	4	4	4	4	2	4	5	4	3	4	3	5	2 holes
L Davies	4	5	4	3	5	4	3	5	4	4	3	5	4	3	4	6	3	6	
T Green	5	5	5	3	5	4	3	5	3	4	2	5	5	4	4	3			3&2
A Sörenstam	5	4	5	3	6	4	3	6	4	4	3	5	5	4	3	4			
D Steinhauer	3	4	5	3	5	4	3	4	3	4	5	6	4	4	5	4	5	5	2 holes
D Reid	4	5	5	2	5	4	3	6	4	5	4	4	5	4	4	4	4	6	
D Andrews	5	4	4	3	5	4	3	6	2	3	2	5	3	4	4	4			3&2
L Neumann	4	4	5	3	5	5	3	5	2	3	3	5	4	4	5	4			

Singles result: United States 6 Europe 2 Match result: United States 13 Europe 7

STEVE MUNDAY/ALLSPORT



Carner, the United States captain, is all smiles before the singles at The Greenbrier yesterday

American firebrand's intensity inspires fierce emotions

Manic Mochrie at majestic best

Patricia Davies looks at golf's public enemy No 1, whose confrontational approach was in evidence during the Solheim Cup match at The Greenbrier

Dottie Mochrie, golf's public enemy No 1, is the sort of person you love to beat simply because she hates losing with a ferocity that threatens internal combustion. "Let's put the *mockers on Mochrie," is a rallying* cry that is easy to utter, causes a titter and is very, very hard to execute.

Yesterday, sent out in the second singles match by JoAnne Carner, the United States captain, Mochrie steamrollered Catrin Nilsmark with a performance of precision iron play. On a long, rain-sodden course, the American fired seven birdies and Nilsmark said: "I've never seen anyone play that well."

Mochrie's game face is not her best side — her eyes nearly come out of their sockets and she glowers ferociously — but she is all-American in her aggressiveness. They are a nation of whoopers and hollerers by nature and Mochrie gave them lots to shout about. They yelled: "All right, Dot. Keep it goin'. Keep smokin'," from the sidelines and she rode the roll.

Her supporters call themselves Mochrie's Maniacs and she does have a maniacal look on the course.

In the fourballs on Saturday, playing with Brandie Burton against Laura Davies and Alison Nicholas, Mochrie did the short-arm jab that has become part of the putting stroke and said: "Yesss," when Davies missed a putt at the third. That is what riles people.

Golf is not football and behaviour like that is unacceptable. "I don't think anyone would have done any different," Mochrie said, but she must somehow learn to prevent her inner intensity from becoming outer obnoxiousness.

Carner played the matter down. "They just get so wrapped up in it. It just comes out. That's part of the reason I love professional golf because in amateur golf, in matchplay, you had to be so stoic. You couldn't show any emotion or you got lectures from the USGA [United States Golf Association]. As a professional you can show emotion."



Davies: on receiving end of Mochrie style that riles rivals

Other players are as competitive as Mochrie but appear more laid back. Davies, Dale Reid and Liselotte Neumann are good examples. "One's the American way and one's the European way," Carner smiled. "The Americans are more flagrant, flashier."

Yesterday, there was not too much for the European supporters to get hysterical about, especially with Mochrie at her majestic best. She hit her irons beautifully and her putting was nearly as good. Her own favourite was the two-iron she nearly holed at the 7th, a par three playing all of its 194 yards. It nearly landed in the hole and stopped three feet away. On the tee, *Mochrie held both arms* aloft, a bit like Sam Torrance when he won the Ryder Cup, before the inevitable high five with her caddie.

Nilsmark, already three down, managed a valiant par, but Mochrie holed to go four up and at the next, a par five, where Nilsmark put her third shot to three feet, the American rolled home a 12-foot putt for her third consecutive birdie. No quarter given or asked is her motto and at the 9th she sank a 12-footer for yet another two, her third on the outward nine, to go five up.

She also had a birdie two at the 11th, where her tee-shot pitched two inches from the pin and settled two feet away. Nilsmark was bunkered, up against the lip with an awkward stance and conceded the hole without playing another shot. "I knew I couldn't get it out," she said, "and there was no point breaking my wrist."

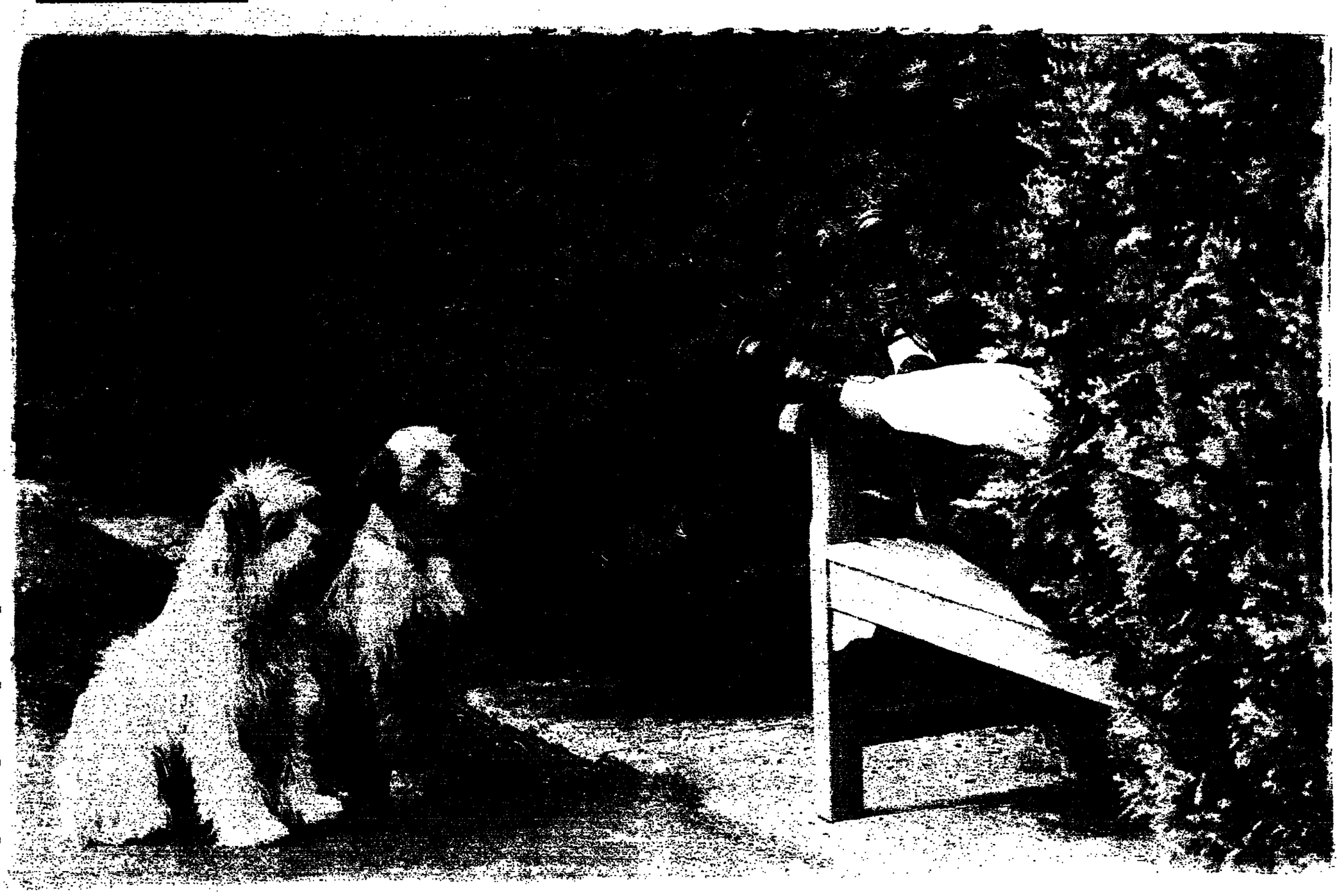
Nilsmark won the 12th with a birdie four of her own but Mochrie was unstoppable, slotting a 15-footer at the 13th to close out the match. She shook her fist in the air *but she also shook hands with* Nilsmark, who had had an early example of the Mochrie method.

"On the first hole, I asked her if I could repair a pitchmark," Nilsmark said, "and she told me to tell the official." Of course, the referee confirmed that Nilsmark should tell her opponent first but *Mochrie probably felt it was akin* to fraternising with the enemy.

"I guess I'm just intense at any job I take on," she said. "But I have a good time off the course."

Pity that is not the Mochrie we see.

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Everton followers left with only faith, jokes and disparity



Amokachi: missed out

Crystal Palace 1
Everton 0

BY OLIVER HOLT

MEN in suits and women in clothes of bright blue, orange and green stood on the steps of the Croydon Seventh Day Adventist Church as streams of Everton supporters began the walk from Selhurst station to Selhurst Park. The preacher stood on the pavement, pressing the flesh. "Come to church next Saturday, instead," he kept saying.

The Evertonians marched on, smiling the wry, bitter smiles that have become their trade mark during so many years of mediocrity in the shadow of Liverpool's excellence. They might not be ready to seek alternative forms of inspiration on Saturdays yet, and most still believe in their manager, Mike Walker, but patience is wearing thin.

They travel to away games in ever increasing numbers, compelled by a nagging fear that if they do not, they will miss an historic occasion. Everton, rooted to the bottom of the FA Carling Premiership with three points, are the only club in England not to have recorded a win all season, and their followers want to be there when it finally happens.

As usual, their suffering is greatest on Merseyside. The latest joke at Everton's expense is based on a true story and concerns the coach at the Wavertree Tennis Centre, who uses Everton as a role model for his young players. "Don't put the ball in the net, don't put the ball in the net," is his mantra.

Even after another poor performance in south London on Saturday, cheers for Walker drowned out the jeers. There was another 90 minutes of missed chances, bad passes and inept defending, but no shortage of apologists, many of whom base their faith on the fact that Walker is refusing to try quick solutions for long term problems.

Quite how they justify that theory is hard to understand when the best player in the team — and by a long way — was Duncan Ferguson, who will return to Rangers at the beginning of next year after a three-month loan spell, disrupting the pattern of team play.

Ferguson produced the only moment of true class in this game when he turned smartly onto a cross from Durrant, left his marker standing, and lashed in a left-foot shot that was destined for the roof of the net until it was clawed away by Martyn, the Palace goalkeeper playing his 200th game for the club.

In the early spell of play that produced that move, Everton appeared competent. But that was about it. Durrant, Ferguson's fellow loan Ranger, looks a sad imitation of the darting prodigy he used to be before a serious knee injury, and Horne, his midfield partner, is painfully immobile and plodding. Three times he sprayed passes intended for Stuart several feet over his head and into the front rows of the stands.

Like all struggling sides, Everton's performance was racked by mutual recriminations, players blaming each other for inadequacies. In the second half, Burrows lost his composure completely, ranting at Southall, shouting at nobody in particular, as the team teetered on the brink of disarray.

Palace, as their position a few places above Everton suggests, were not much better, but they deserved to win. They have players of genuine class in Armstrong, Salako and Martyn, and while Martyn kept his team in the game with a string of fine saves and Amokachi missed chance after chance, Armstrong provided the cross from which Preece nodded in the winner in the 53rd minute.

Southall stood flat-footed as it drifted over him, and Jackson screamed at him for not leaving his line to claim the cross. The goalkeeper, like the rest of the team, is far from infallible.

CRYSTAL PALACE (4-4-2): N Martyn — J Humphrey, C Coleman, R Shaw, D Gordon — G Southgate, J Salako, R Bowry (sub: D Fitcher, 76min), R Newman — C Armstrong, A Preece.
EVERTON (4-4-2): N Southall — M Jackson, G Ablett, D Unsworth, D Burrows — G Stuart, V Samways (sub: J Parkinson, 45), B Horne, I Durrant — D Ferguson, D Amokachi.
Referee: S Lodge.

'A game of contradictions: bad defences, bad goalkeepers, bad goals, brilliant entertainment'

Tottenham arrive bearing gifts to embarrass Ardiles



David Miller winces at defensive shortcomings that presented Manchester City with a 5-2 victory

Roll up, roll up. Come and see the team that's Sugar-sweet, plays a treat and guarantees to give you goals. Unfortunately for them, however, it will probably be at the wrong end. Tottenham's contribution to football is at present Keatonesque.

Unless Osvaldo Ardiles rapidly adjusts the so-called diamond formation in midfield — with Popescu the rear point of the diamond in front of the back four — and uses Popescu as sweeper behind the back four, Tottenham's winter is likely to become positively Siberian.

In steady, warm autumn rain, the kind that adds to the nightmare of even competent defenders on a surface as true as Maine Road, a crowd of 25,473 saw a contest of crazy contradictions: bad defences, bad goalkeepers, bad goals, brilliant entertainment. Manchester City scored five times from eight chances. Tottenham twice from 20. It would have been no distortion had Tottenham won 7-3.

"It's a credit to Ossie the way they played," Brian Horton, City's manager, said. Well, just a moment, please. The performance may have been of spectacular benefit to City, but, as Ardiles was to admit ruefully, "the object of the exercise is to win games". If Tottenham were to continue playing with this kind of credit to the manager, they would be relegated irrespective of the Football Association's six-point deduction.

They were beaten by an essentially lightweight team inspired by the ceaseless, weaving runs and ball control of Walsh, once of Liverpool and Tottenham, banished to Portsmouth, and now rescued at 31 by Horton with whom he played at Luton. Whenever Walsh moved, Tottenham trembled.



Dumitrescu: two goals

This is primarily because the central defenders, Campbell and Scott, can neither mark nor tackle anything that moves. They would be hard pressed to swat a stationary fly, and whenever Summerbee, such a pleasant reminder of his father, or Beagrie crossed the ball from the flanks, Campbell and Scott were embarrassingly AWOL.

What made things worse was the lack of any defensive protection from midfield. Popescu essentially marks space centrally. He would be far more effective, therefore, operating behind the back four; especially as Dumitrescu, Barmby and the ineffably poor Dozzell, who fondly believes he can play this game, seldom cover the attacking runs of their opposite numbers.

The fourth and fifth goals for City, by Lomas and Flitcroft, horribly demonstrated this Tottenham deficiency, to the gleeful delight of City's supporters, who have not smelt genuine success since those days, almost 20 autumns ago, when everyone still aspired to play the way Walsh does. Indeed, Walsh is almost the definitive City player, an echo of Les McDowell's Cup-winning Fifties team of Hayes, Johnstone and Dyson.

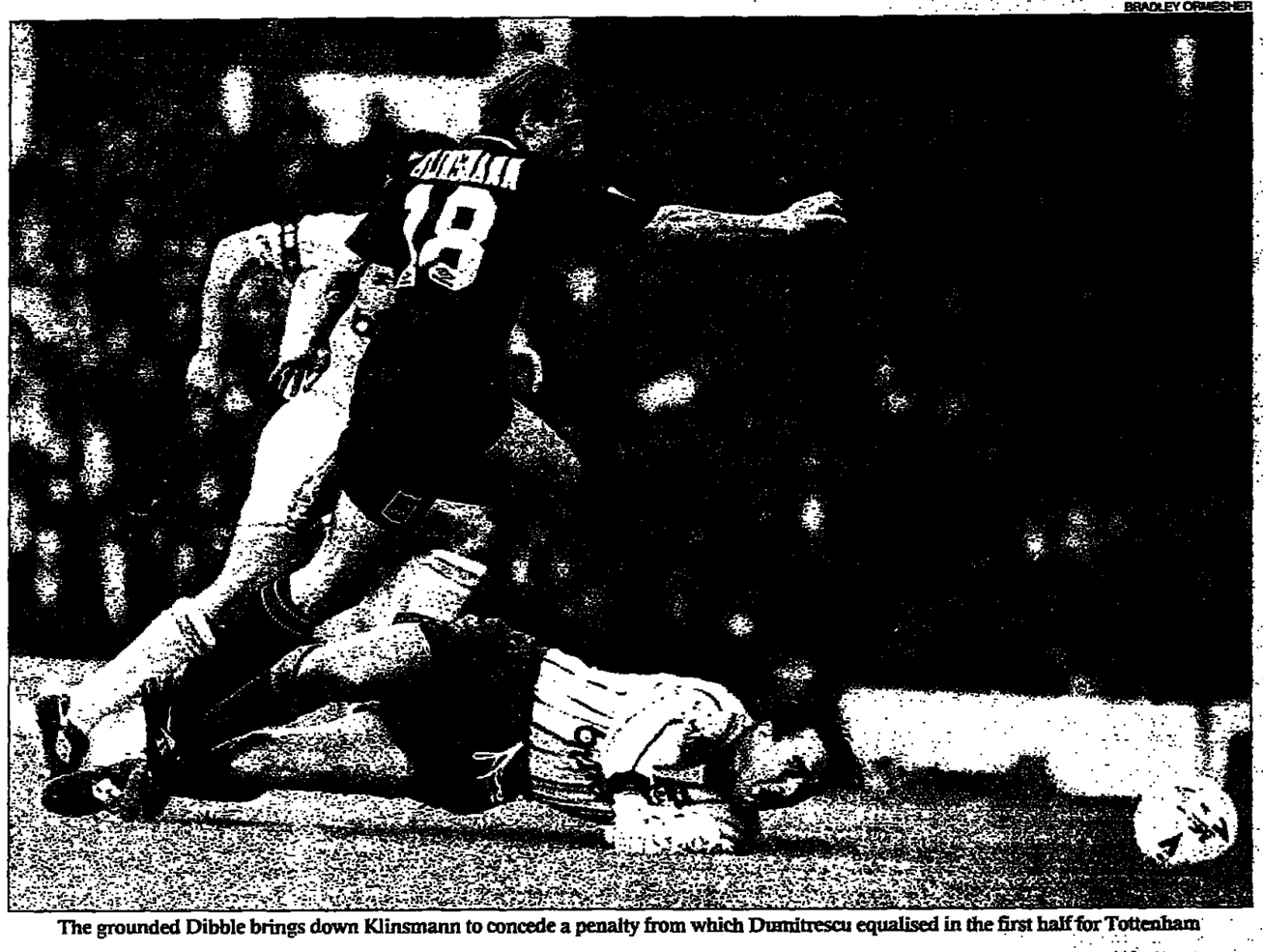
To bring home the extent of Tottenham's charity towards the opposition, it must be doubtful if City will finish in the top ten. Their formation, with two wingers, is likewise attractive but leaves them vulnerable to any team fielding an expedient, grinding midfield.

Summerbee and Beagrie may deliver the ball beautifully — they made respectively the second and fourth goals — but they contributed little defensively, and City are likely to be a soft touch when playing away.

For the moment, they looked dangerous whenever they attacked, which was about once to every five times by Tottenham. "We allowed them to cross the ball far too much. We did not defend properly," Ardiles said. He need not have bothered, it was so obvious.

In a sense, Horton is correct: the way Tottenham play is a credit to Ardiles, who won the World Cup with Argentina going forward (the difference then was that Menotti, the coach, had ruthless defenders such as Pasarella) and was the inspiration of Tottenham's joyous early Eighties. But any manager who can buy a defender as suspect as Calderwood to replace Ruddock or Mabbutt and repeat the error when buying Scott, exposes his judgment to serious question.

Tottenham's survival, I would say, is dependent on Popescu pulling the defence together; on Thorstvedt recovering his touch in goal; on Dumitrescu and Klinsmann retaining their appetite for running while goals are needlessly given away behind them; and on Sheringham realising that captaincy does not absolve you from being physically involved in the game.



BRADLEY ORMESHER

The grounded Dibble brings down Klinsmann to concede a penalty from which Dumitrescu equalised in the first half for Tottenham

Tottenham could have been two or three up before City took the lead after a quarter of an hour. Klinsmann had shot high and wide when released by Barmby, the uncertain Dibble had saved one-handed from Barmby, Sheringham had missed with a cross-shot when well placed and Barmby had over-run when set free by Klinsmann.

The first of Walsh's two goals was a fraction lucky. Flitcroft's attempted shot was mishit, and the ball sat up kindly for Walsh, who gratefully put it low into the corner of the net.

The rain increased, and so did Tottenham's possession of the ball. Dibble was lucky to survive when being robbed of the ball, out on the edge of the penalty area, by Klinsmann, and then Sheringham, snatching at the ball first time with the defence open, put his shot wide.

The home crowd inevitably booed when Klinsmann went down in a clash with the clumsy Dibble — his reputation preceding him — but it looked a penalty and Dumitrescu scored. More openings came and went for Tottenham before City scored twice in three minutes just on half-time, having done little since their opening goal.

Summerbee crossed from the right, Walsh drove the ball goalwards from close range and Walker might well have held the shot. Instead he only parried it upwards and Quinn, following up, was able to head home.

Almost immediately, Walker dropped a cross from the left under pressure from Quinn, whose header of the loose ball as he fell went a foot wide. Moments later, Quinn turned the ball square and Walsh's stinging shot was assisted into the net by Walker.

A minute into the second half, Tottenham responded, Dumitrescu taking Klinsmann's flicked pass, and Dibble being unable to hold the shot. Tottenham kept coming forward and Dumitrescu might have equalised but now Walsh struck again. His run down the left left Tottenham dizzy, Beagrie crossed and there was Lomas storming through unmarked to head home.

Still Tottenham attacked and any one of four men might have scored at some stage before Flitcroft, left unmarked as Walsh again dazzled a myopic defence, put the issue beyond doubt.

MANCHESTER CITY (4-4-2): A Dibble — R Edghill, K Curl, I Brightwell, T Phelan — N Summerbee, S Lomas, G Flitcroft, P Beagrie — N Quinn, P Walsh.
TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR (4-1-3-2): I Walker — D Kerslake, S Campbell, K Scott, J Edinburgh — G Popescu — J Dozzell (sub: M Hazard, 70min), N Barmby, I Dumitrescu — J Klinsmann, T Sheringham.
Referee: D Elleray.

Sellars gives his best to reward Keegan's faith

Newcastle United 2
Sheffield Wednesday 1

BY PETER BALL

AFTER a scintillating first half, Newcastle's win over Sheffield Wednesday on Saturday was not one of their most enthralling. It may, however, turn out to be one of the most significant for the FA Carling Premiership leaders.

So far this season, Peter Beardsley and Andy Cole have dominated the headlines, with Lee and Fox not far behind. On Saturday, Cole scored his statutory goal, Fox twisted and turned on sinuous runs, Beardsley contributed his exquisite moments, but Lee was missing and centre stage was held by the supporting cast.

Scott Sellars, Lee Clark and Steve Watson rose to the occasion to demonstrate that Newcastle have the depth to match their ambition. Watson came in to play the Venison role in central midfield as if to the manner born, also finding time to score the first goal.

By then he had been joined by Clark, who arrived as Kitson went off concussed after stopping Pressman's driven clearance full in the face from ten yards, an unhappy end to his first home Premiership game since his move from Derby. "That keeper kicks the ball like an Exocet," Keegan said afterwards. "I knew Paul was in trouble when he called me Roy McFarland."

Kitson's misfortune was Clark's opportunity, and how well he took it, passing intelligently and stretching the Sheffield defence to breaking point with his strong running from midfield, Beardsley moving forward to accommodate him.

But on Saturday Sellars stood above them both. He is playing the best football of his life in a career with its share of disappointments. To be moved on by Billy Bremner is not a unique experience for a very good player: to be undervalued by Kenny Dalglish and Howard Wilkinson is more discouraging, but Keegan knew his man.

"I always thought he was a really good player, but what we've done is give him a chance he didn't expect at a time he didn't expect it, and he has responded to that. He's my type of player.

"We'll take his one or two little weaknesses. We know he isn't going to win headers against John Fashanu, but we know when he gets it on his left foot he can open up any defence. He is so inventive. Some of the things he did today out there, the first half in particular, were superb. I said to him at half-time: 'You've played some good games since I've been here, but I've never seen you play 45 minutes like you did today'."

The second goal, two minutes after Watson's, was his high point. Sellars skipped round Pressman's lunge on the touchline to supply the cross for Cole's fourteenth goal of the season.

At half-time Newcastle could have been four up, and Wednesday were facing a severe test for a side of uncertain conviction without their main goalscorer, Hirst, who limped away with a knee injury before the half-hour. They met the challenge head on.

The tall, lanky Ian Taylor may only be an ersatz Carlton Palmer, especially when out of position, but he has more of a nose for goal, and when Bright got a faint touch on Nolan's cross to unsettle Srnicek, he pounced.

From then on Wednesday were back in the game, so much so that Peacock won the sponsors' vote as man of the match. By the end the crowd whistled anxiously for the final whistle.

Keegan's judgment was more acute. "We were only hanging on at the end because we hadn't finished them off," he said. That may be crucial against better teams than Wednesday.

NEWCASTLE UNITED (4-4-2): P Srnicek — M Hottiger, D Peacock, P Albert, J Beresford — R Fox, S Watson, P Beardsley, S Sellars — P Kitson (sub: L Clark, 22min), A Cole.
SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (4-4-2): K Pressman — P Atherton (sub: D Petrescu, 68), A Pearce, D Walker, I Nolan — I Taylor, J Sheridan, G Hyde, A Sinton — M Bright, D Hirst (sub: C Bart-Williams, 29).
Referee: G Poll.

Liverpool look finished article

Liverpool 3
Wimbledon 0

BY KEITH PIKE

WHISPER it, most definitely in Manchester and maybe even in Europe, but the days when Liverpool are once again capable of mounting a genuine and sustained attack on the sport's honours may not be too far distant.

Wimbledon are not the ideal barometer with which to gauge every team's potential for greatness, and it could be argued that the side Joe Kinnear was forced to put out at Anfield on Saturday was beaten before it started. But the Londoners, undefeated in nine previous meetings with Liverpool, have become the most striking symbol of the decline of the Merseyside superpower, and here they were simply swept aside by a performance of sumptuous quality and frightening power.

The statistics were compelling: 26 strikes at Hans Segers's goal, three that counted — including two absolute belters — and two more disallowed. Facts and figures cannot, though, do justice to Liverpool's fluency in midfield, where the interplay of McManaman and Redknapp was mesmeric, and their fortitude in defence, where Ruddock was at his razor-sharp best. This was, as near as dammit, the Liverpool of old.

Yet the moment that provided the most poignant evidence that a resurgence under Roy Evans is upon us came not from the club's players but from its supporters. Just before half-time, and not long after Fowler had added a stunning second Liverpool goal to McManaman's explosive early strike, the drizzle that had been falling from slate-grey skies all afternoon became a downpour.

Within seconds, the occupants of the exposed, partly-constructed new Kop were drenched, but not sufficiently to douse their legendary spark of humour. "We only sing when we're soaking," they chanted in a rapturous, instant response.

The heavier the rain fell, the louder and more appreciative they got. The significance of the moment was not lost on Evans, the Koppite turned coach and as Liverpudlian as barm cakes and butties. "It was good to hear," he said. "They were enjoying it, and they played their part today."

Barnes got the third before the pitch became a lake, and Evans must believe that now the talent at his disposal is allied to dressing-room harmony and the rejuvenated backing of a previously disenchanted public, the platform for championships and cups is established.

LIVERPOOL (3-3-2-2): D James — J Scales, N Ruddock, P Babb — R Jones, J Barnes, S Bjornebye — S McManaman, J Redknapp — I Rush (sub: N Clough, 82min), R Fowler (sub: L Jones, 82).
WIMBLEDON (1-4-3-2): H Segers — S Fitzgerald — R Joseph, C Perry (sub: G Blissett, 46), A Reeves, G Elkins — W Barton, P Fear, N Ardley — E Ekoku, M Gayle (sub: S Castledine, 74).
Referee: P Jones.

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Boli remains an enigma in eccentric competition

KEVIN McCARRA



Scottish commentary

Perhaps a sawn-off competition can restore the premier division's firepower. With the number of contestants lopped from 12 to ten, Rangers' rivals must feel they have a genuine shot at the championship. On Saturday the Ibrox club's lead was reduced to two points as Motherwell defeated it 2-1 at Fir Park.

If Rangers have proved inexorable these past few years it has often been because they had time to spare. Over a 44-game league programme the depth and quality of their squad was bound to tell. For challengers, the present 36-match fixture list is more fertile ground. With the season already in its second quarter, Motherwell are flourishing.

The strict passing of Alex McLeish's side imposed a harsh regime on Rangers. The visitors, their line-up disrupted by injury, had a cruel afternoon of scrambling and chasing. Tommy Coyne has learnt that centre forwards can double as playmakers. The Republic of Ireland international was full of misdirection and guile. His majestic volleyed cross set up the first of Dougie Arnott's goals.

Motherwell can afford to regard the day as more than just a lone piece of glee. Last season they were prominent in the championship but eventually slithered back to third place.

With a truncated programme, however, their stamina may hold out. Injuries and suspensions must always punish a club of modest means, but the league title does not seem so fanciful a target for Motherwell.

Limiting the fixture list does not, by itself, cut Rangers down to size. It also requires inexplicable fecklessness from the larger clubs to add interest to a championship. Scottish sides floundered in Europe, but, in domestic competition at least, we are discovering the pleasures of mediocrity.

On Saturday, Celtic and Aberdeen, who meet in the Coca-Cola Cup semi-final on Wednesday, both lost, confirming that we have an eccentric competition on our hands. A league brims with excitement and uncertainty when the level of achievement falls.

Celtic and Aberdeen, in 1979 and 1980 respectively, jointly hold the record for the lowest points total (48) by league champions in a ten-club premier division.

Both of those seasons were enthralling. The first was settled in Celtic's favour by victory in their final fixture, a tumultuous Old Firm match. Aberdeen scraped home a year later, but found they had acquired the verve that allowed them to dominate the decade.

The new system, which awards three points for a win, makes comparisons difficult.

However, with three defeats in their first ten matches, Rangers are suffering from the degree of vulnerability that has invigorated championships in the past.

The result on Saturday would not, in isolation, perplex the club's manager, Walter Smith. Motherwell are a fine and settled side. Although forced by economics to sell Phil O'Donnell to Celtic for £1.75 million, their midfield remains as spry and darting as before.

The defence continues to be composed of buccaneering full backs and three trenchant figures in the middle. Rangers had to counter such opponents with a disjointed side. Injuries had usurped Smith's role; they made the team selection and determined the tactics. The visitors' forward line, therefore, featured two wingers, with Mark Hateley left to mope by himself in the centre of attack, deprived of a partner who might have collected his knockdowns.

All the same, Smith must extract better performances from those who are fit. Saturday's team did, after all, include eight internationals.

The form of one of them, the £2.7 million signing, Basile Boli, continues to be an enigma. His weak jump late in the first half at Motherwell led to desperation in defence that saw Craig Moore sent off for a foul on Arnott.

At times DNA testing seems in order to establish that this is the same Boli who once commanded for Marseilles. At least his English is coming on nicely. He was booked for dissent on Saturday.



Wright injured after booking place in Highbury hall of fame



Wegerle: late penalty

Arsenal 2
Coventry City 1

BY PAT GIBSON

ONLY Ian Wright could have completed a hat-trick like it. The Jekyll and Hyde of English football took his place in Arsenal's hall of fame, re-entered the Football Association's rogues gallery, and finished up in the Highbury treatment room — all in the first 45 minutes.

Anything that happened after that had to be an anti-climax, and so it was. Arsenal were hard-pressed to hold on to the two-goal lead Wright had given them, especially after Wegerle reduced the deficit from the penalty spot in the eightieth minute. But hold on they did to register their eighth win in nine games.

Wright had scored in his previous nine games, and it took him only 14 minutes to make it ten, thus beating the Arsenal record set by David Jack when he scored in nine consecutive games in 1931. Wright scored again 18 minutes later, and now has his sights on the Arsenal aggregate record of 178 set by Cliff Bastin in 1939.

Wright now has 106 and, although he will be 31 next month, he believes he has three more seasons left in him. His flood of goals is about to dry up, however, because of the other side of his character, which yesterday brought him his seventh booking of the season. It will keep him out of three Premiership matches and England's next international against Nigeria.

For the moment, though, Wright is more concerned about the groin injury which forced him to leave the field just before half-time. "We won the game, that's the main thing," he said. "But it's a pity I've got this injury just when we were hitting a little bit of form."

Of his record, he said: "When you're doing it, it doesn't seem to mean that much. But when I reflect on it in later years, I think I'll appreciate it more. Not that it will last forever."

Wright believes that he was at his best when he first joined Arsenal from Crystal Palace, but there was no doubting his sharpness in the way he took his two goals. Schwarz set up the first, charging down a clearance by Rennie, and measuring a cross to leave Ogrizovic in no man's land as Wright moved in to score with a low shot which the goalkeeper could only deflect into the corner of his net.

Highbury rose to its master marksman and the crowd was incensed in the 29th minute when he became embroiled in one of those clashes that have marred his career. Pressley, Coventry's new £630,000 signing from Rangers, made a clumsy challenge on Wright and the latter reacted angrily. The two of them squared up briefly before the referee booked them both.

Wright had the last word. Three minutes later, he and Pressley were on a collision course again as Keown's long ball drifted towards the Coventry penalty area. The ball seemed to spin off Pressley's head and down his shoulder and, with the referee waving play on, Wright raced through to beat Ogrizovic.

Wright might have had a genuine hat-trick had not Pickering whipped the ball off his toe near the far post, but that was his last meaningful action of the game. Just before half-time, challenging with Pressley again, he collapsed with an abductor muscle injury, and was led from the field.

Arsenal, without the injured Adams, were never the same again. Campbell and Selley should have increased their lead but Coventry, nothing if not persistent, got back in the game with a penalty ten minutes from time. Winterburn was adjudged to have fouled Dublin and Wegerle sent Seaman the wrong way, leaving the Arsenal supporters baying for the final whistle.

ARSENAL (4-4-2): D Seaman — L Dixon, M Keown, S Bould, N Winterburn — R Parlour, S Schwarz, I Selley, A Campbell — I Wright (sub: E McGoldrick, 45min), A Smith.
COVENTRY CITY (4-4-2): S Ogrizovic — A Pickering, S Pressley, D Busst, S Morgan (sub: B Borrows, 76) — S Flynn, D Rennie, J Darby, C Jones (sub: P Ndlovu, 59) — R Wegerle, D Dublin.
Referee: A Wilkie.

Robson yet to fulfil supporters' expectations



Andrew Longmore sees little to justify Middlesbrough's hype in a goalless draw against Portsmouth

THE pre-season hype that greeted Bryan Robson's graduation to the mangerial ranks is in danger of turning into mid-season disillusion as Middlesbrough continued their stuttering form at Fratton Park yesterday.

Middlesbrough, early pacesetters, needed to win to go back into second place in the Endsleigh Insurance League first division, but though a point was better than nothing, they did little to suggest that Robson's aspirations to the big time will be fulfilled in his first year as manager.

Workmanlike, sturdy, robust; Middlesbrough were all of those but, Hendrie apart, there was little sign of more diverse qualities; flair, wit or invention. Nor did Portsmouth show much in the way of imagination, for all their fluid approach play and the enthusiasm of the speedy Hall. The result was stalemate, a poor advertisement for the competition and a poor reward for Portsmouth's second lowest league crowd of the season. Wisely, many had decided to enjoy an extended lunch or had succumbed to the rival televised attraction of Manchester United and Blackburn Rovers. Robson might have preferred to do the same.

His extended honeymoon at Ayresome Park had ended in tears against Luton Town at Kenilworth Road last week, where his high-flying team lost in a clatter of goals. As Portsmouth's defense has been far from watertight in the league — six conceded in the last two games — the least the faithful could expect was a goal or two. They should have had some, too, in the first half, but Moreno, Middlebrough's Bolivia international, made a hash of a header from four yards out and Blackmore dragged wide from twice that distance.

Portsmouth were in one of their skittish moods, needing two touches where one would have done and weaving pretty patterns without producing much of a finished article. Hall had the beating of Cox on the ground, but Portsmouth's long crosses expected him to win the aerial battle too. In vain. Their formation was a puzzle as well, not least to the players themselves. Powell, scorer of seven goals this season, played left back, which seemed a waste of his eye for goal.

Portsmouth enjoyed more possession, had more pace in the middle of the field, but lacked the cutting edge. Wilkinson troubled Symons all afternoon in the air without finding anyone who could profit from his superiority. He should have put the visitors ahead, though, early in the second half, when a bullocking run and a neat cross from the sturdy Pollock fell straight to him. Knight clung on to the flick.

Soon after, Creaney headed just wide as Portsmouth produced some applied pressure and the mercurial Radosavljevic unleashed a thundering left-foot shot from 35 yards that thudded against the crossbar just as Miller was contemplating a flying save.

When Middlesbrough broke quickly, which was rare, Portsmouth looked decidedly threadbare at the back. With Hendrie running from deep and Wilkinson always alert, Middlesbrough might have restored their manager's reputation and stifled the phantom Pompey trumpeter, who had long since forsaken a hazy rendition of the chimes for more improvisatory themes. If only the players had danced to the trumpeter's tune.

Instead, the game took on an inevitable air of stalemate, neither team wanting to risk defeat to dare victory. A header by McLoughlin was blocked and Powell, unable to contain his attacking instincts any longer, cracked a drive just high for Portsmouth. Hendrie was nominated man of the match by Ray Clemence. It was not a tough choice.

On this evidence, Robson will have to work hard to match the expectations heightened by Newcastle United's rampant form. His team should relish the heavier grounds of mid-winter, but goals could be scarce.

"It took character to bounce back from last week and we had enough chances to win," Robson said. "We just didn't take them and you have to do so to win." He is certainly mastering manager-speak. By the end, the trumpeter had added another tune to his repertoire: "What a load of rubbish."

PORTSMOUTH (3-4-3): A Knight — J Gittens, K Symons, D Powell — R Pethick, L McGrath, A McLoughlin, M Stimson — P Radosavljevic, G Creaney, P Hall.
MIDDLESBROUGH (4-3-3): A Miller — N Cox, S Vickers, D Whyte, C Fleming — C Blackmore, J Pollock, A Todd — J Hendrie, P Wilkinson, J Moreno (sub: C Hignett, 64min).
Referee: P Foakes.

MARC ASPLAND



Radosavljevic, the Portsmouth striker, outjumps Fleming as Creaney looks on at Fratton Park yesterday

Eadie flies off the Norwich production line

Norwich City 4
Queens Park Rangers .. 2

BY PAT GIBSON

EVERYWHERE else in the country they were turning the clocks back by an hour. At Carrow Road, Darren Eadie turned the clock back years with the kind of wing play that seemed to have disappeared with half backs and inside forwards, boots with toecaps and footballs with laces.

In the space of 16 minutes, Norwich scored four goals, turning a 1-0 deficit into an unassailable lead. Eadie made two of them and won the free kick that led to a third to leave Queens Park Rangers wondering what had hit them.

There was no early warning. Eadie, 19, an England under-21 international but so low in the Canaries' pecking order at the start of the season that he was given the No 20 shirt, had been subdued by Bardsley to such an extent that he switched flanks for a while to look for more space.

Then he took flight. A minute into the second half, Crook's perceptive pass set Eadie speeding past Bardsley, Dykstra — making his debut in the Rangers goal — could not hold his devilish low cross, and Robins forced the ball over the line. Seven minutes later, a distressed Bardsley gave away the free kick from which Crook sent Bowen through to score with ease, and four minutes after that Eadie was away again to give Sheron a simple tap-in.

Two goals from the Rangers strikers, Gallen and White, completed the scoring in a match that emphasised what a fine line there is between success and failure for clubs like Norwich, snapping at the heels of those at the top of the Premiership, and Rangers, struggling for survival at the bottom. Eadie made the difference on Saturday and John Deehan, the Norwich manager, will be hoping he does not go the same way as the other match-winners the club has unearthed in recent years.

"You have got to remember that he is still a young lad so you expect him to be a little bit up and down," he said, "but at the moment he is looking like a very bright, shining light for this club.

"Without getting too carried away, he has played very well. He has given one of the best full backs in the country a very tough time and he has provided the spark to get us back in the game. History will tell you that Norwich City have a good track record for producing youngsters, especially in wide positions. People like Dale Gordon and Ruel Fox have come through the ranks and gone on to great heights. I'd like to think Eadie is going to be a member of my team for a long time to come."

How much longer Gerry Francis, the Rangers manager, wants some of his players to remain is more debatable. Even without the suspended Ferdinand they had scored two goals away from home, but it was still not enough. "To say I'm disappointed is a major understatement," he said. "I've tried different systems, different personnel, but we're still conceding goals and that is very frustrating and very worrying. I'd love to buy. It would be nice to introduce some new faces to give everyone a lift, including me."

NORWICH CITY (4-4-2): B Gunn — J Wright (sub: R Newman, 23min), J Newsome, J Polston, M Bowen — N Adams (sub: J Goss, 89), M Milligan, I Crook, D Eadie — M Sheron, M Robins.
QUEENS PARK RANGERS (4-4-2): S Dykstra — D Bardsley, S Yates, A McDonald, C Wilson — M Meaker (sub: B Allen, 75), I Holloway, S Barker, T Sinclair — K Gallen, D White.
Referee: M Reed.

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Chelsea take lead from Wise words and deeds

Chelsea 2
Ipswich Town 0

BY RUSSELL KEMPSON

DENNIS Wise has experienced mixed fortunes recently. He has been stripped of the Chelsea captaincy, for an alleged misdemeanour while on England duty, and yet only last week signed a new contract that will take him into the next century. At Stamford Bridge yesterday, he enjoyed the rosier side of life when his 75th-minute goal broke the deadlock in a scrappy FA Carling Premiership match against Ipswich Town.

Chelsea had shown little initial tiredness from their bruising midweek encounter with FK Austria in the Cup Winners' Cup, with Wise still directing operations with his usual physical and verbal tenacity. Peacock, who inherited Wise's armband, and Rocastle were capable allies in midfield. Yet for all their endeavour, the cutting edge was again sorely absent.

Early encouragement quickly gave way to pent-up frustration as Ipswich began to break free from the chains of defence. Thomsen's right-wing raids became more frequent and, in the 28th minute, Ipswich should have taken the lead. Thomsen's cross to the far post picked out Guentchev in splendid isolation, but the Bulgarian's unchallenged header found crossbar rather than net. Paz squandered the rebound.

Sedgley was similarly wasteful soon afterwards, Shipperley blazed woefully over from Rocastle's peach of a pass, and Furlong forced a fine save from the alert Forrest. It was Furlong's final meaningful contribution as, in the 62nd minute, he joined Chelsea's ever-expanding casualty list when pulling up sharply after chasing a hopeful punt forward. He left the field on a stretcher.

Thirteen minutes later, Chelsea's ailing condition showed a sudden and remarkable improvement after Newton's sweetly struck 25-yarder had thumped against the bar. Wise reacted swiftly to volley in the loose ball as it fell. Another ten minutes and the Chelsea recovery, though still unconvincing, was complete, Peacock's pass allowing Shipperley to round Forrest before scoring.

Kjeldbjerg, the Chelsea defender, also departed on a stretcher, in the last minute, after being hurt by a strong tackle from Gregory. When Glenn Hoddle, the Chelsea player-manager, takes his next training session, he may struggle to organise a five-a-side match.

CHELSEA (1-4-3-2): D Kharine — G Hall — J Kjeldbjerg (sub: D Lee, 90min), E Johnsen, A Barness, E Newton — D Rocastle, G Peacock, D Wise — P Furlong (sub: D Hopkin, 83), D Shipperley.
IPSWICH TOWN (4-4-2): C Forrest — F Yallop, E Youds, S Sedgley, A Vaughan — C Thomsen, S Palmer, G Williams (sub: D Gregory, 81), S Milton — A Paz (sub: M Stockwell, 81), B Guentchev.
Referee: B Hill.

PREMIERSHIP AT A GLANCE

		Played	Points	Goal diff	Recent form
1	Newcastle	11	29	+19	DWDWW
2	Notts Forest	11	27	+14	WWDWW
3	Manchester Utd	11	22	+9	DWWWW
4	Blackburn	11	21	+12	WDWWW
5	Liverpool	10	20	+7	DWWLW
6	Norwich	11	19	+2	LWWDW
7	Chelsea	10	18	+7	WLWLW
8	Manchester City	11	18	+5	WLDWW
9	Arsenal	11	17	+4	WLWWW
10	Leeds	10	15	+2	LDWLD
11	Southampton	11	15	+2	WWWLL
12	West Ham	11	14	-4	LWWLW
13	Tottenham*	11	14	-5	LWDDL
14	Sheffield Wed	11	12	-6	DLWWL
15	Coventry	11	10	-7	LDWWL
16	Aston Villa	11	10	-5	LLLDL
17	Crystal Palace	11	10	-7	LWLLW
18	Leicester	10	9	-8	WDDLW
19	Wimbledon	11	9	-10	WLLLL
20	QPR	11	7	-7	LLDLL
21	Ipswich	11	7	-11	WLLLL
22	Everton	11	3	-16	DLLLL

Weekly change: Up — Stayed the same — Down

* Tottenham will be deducted six points at end of season

Forest mystery stays unsolved

Aston Villa 0
Nottingham Forest 2

BY ALYSON RUDD

IN THE classic black-and-white film, *The Woman in Question*, the woman in question is murdered. The police find depictions of her vary enormously and we are treated to different portrayals of the same character — conniving, gentle, beautiful, grotesque. The only fact is that she was killed.

With Nottingham Forest, the team in question, the only fact is that they remain unbeaten in 23 matches, 11 of those in the FA Carling Premiership.

There will be many differing interpretations of Forest around the country by now. After their 3-3 draw at Maine Road, you would find spectators writing off Forest's title hopes because of their leaky defence. On the coach back from the City Ground last Monday, Wimbledon supporters would be cursing Forest's seemingly laser-perfected midfield vision and exquisite finishing.

That audience might also have offered a tip or two to Forest's next opponents: exploit the right-back position filled by Alf-Inge Haaland, who seems very vulnerable, and put two defenders on Stan Collymore for the last 30 minutes as he seems to take an hour to warm up but when he does he is unstoppable.

At Villa Park, Collymore was strong, fast and ineffective throughout while Haaland grew in stature, forcing the corner that led to Stone's 71st-minute goal.

Above all else, Forest's defence was impenetrable. The substitution of Bryan Roy — "a luxury", according to Frank Clark, the Forest manager, when their passing game has evaporated — completed this latest picture.

Of course, no team plays in a consistent fashion every week. But few split-personality sides never lose. The 33rd-second penalty decision, after Earl Barrett tripped Roy, helped them on their way on Saturday.

Stuart Pearce, who had an outstanding game, took the penalty and seemed to send the ball through Nigel Spink's body. At the start of the second half, Pearce playfully threw himself on the ground in mock exhaustion after he had finished a particularly powerful long run. Yes, this version of Forest is all about the defenders.

Poor Villa, they could be forgiven for expecting an open game with at least plenty of goals, if not all the points. Instead they were reduced to long-range, hopeful shots and lost their fifth Premiership game of the season.

When will Forest lose their first game of the season? Probably when, all at the same time, their defence loses its concentration. Stone stops battling, Bohinen stops supporting, Roy is starved of possession and Collymore never warms up. It will be a sorry sight, but it will not be on view for long.

ASTON VILLA (4-4-2): N Spink — E Barrett, U Ehiogu, P McGrath, P King (sub: G Whittingham, 73min) — R Houghton, A Townsend, G Fenton (sub: G Parker, 45), S Staunton — D Yorke, D Saunders.
NOTTINGHAM FOREST (4-4-2): M Crossley — A-I Haaland, S Chettle, C Cooper, S Pearce — S Stone, D Phillips, L Bohinen, I Woan — S Collymore, B Roy (sub: J Lee, 65).
Referee: K Cooper (Pontypridd).



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Aston Villa: N Spink, E Barrett, S Staunton, P McGrath, R Houghton, D Saunders, A Townsend, P King (sub: G Whittingham, 72min), U Ehiogu, D Yorke, G Fenton (sub: G Parker, 46).
Booked: Staunton.
Nottingham Forest: M Crossley, S Pearce, S Cooper, S Chettle, D Phillips, L Bohinen, S Collymore, S Stone, I Woan, A I Haaland, B Roy (sub: J Lee, 64).
Booked: Bohinen.
Referee: K Cooper (Pontypridd).

CRYSTAL PALACE (0) 1 EVERTON (0) 0
Preece 53 — 14,505

Crystal Palace: N Martyn, J Humphrey, D Gordon, G Southgate, C Coleman, C Armstrong, J Salako, R Shaw, R Bowry (sub: D Pitcher, 75min), A Preece, R Newman.
Booked: Armstrong, Newman.
Everton: N Southall, M Jackson, G Ablett, V Samways (sub: J Parkinson, 48), G Stuart, D Ferguson, B Horne, D Amokachi, D Burrows, I Durrant, D Unsworth.
Booked: Unsworth.
Referee: S Lodge.

LIVERPOOL (2) 3 WIMBLEDON (0) 0
McManaman 20, Fowler 35, Barnes 63 — 31,139

Liverpool: D James, R Jones, J Scales, N Ruddock, P Babb, S McManaman, S I Bjornebye, J Barnes, J Redknapp, R Fowler (sub: L Jones, 80min), I Rush (sub: N Clough, 80).
Wimbledon: H Segers, W Barton, S Fitzgerald, G Elkins, A Reeves, R Joseph, M Gayle (sub: S Castledine, 73), C Perry (sub: G Blissett, 46), P Fear, N Ardley, E Ekoku.
Booked: Joseph, Fear.
Referee: P Jones.

MAN CITY (3) 5 TOTTENHAM (1) 2
Walsh 15, 44, Quinn 41, Lomas 52, Flitcroft 79 — Dumitrescu 29 (pen), 46 — 25,473

Manchester City: A Dibble, R Edghill, T Phelan, S Lomas, K Curle, I Brightwell, N Summerbee, P Walsh, N Quinn, G Flitcroft, P Beagrie.
Booked: Dibble.
Tottenham: I Walker, J Edinburgh, G Popescu, N Barmby, I Dumitrescu, E Sheringham, J Dozzell (sub: M Hazard, 72min), J Klinsmann, K Scott, D Kerslake, S Campbell.
Booked: Sheringham, Dozzell.
Referee: D Elleray.

NEWCASTLE (2) 2 SHEFF WED (0) 1
Watson 35, Cole 37 — Taylor 55 — 34,408

Newcastle: P Srnicek, M Hottiger, J Beresford, S Watson, P Albert, D Peacock, R Fox, P Beardsley, A Cole, P Kitson (sub: L Clark, 20min), S Sellars.
Sheffield Wednesday: K Pressman, P Atherton (sub: D Petrescu, 65), I Nolan, I Taylor, A Pearce, D Walker, G Hyde, M Bright, D Hirst (sub: C Bart-Williams, 29), J Sheridan, A Sinton.
Booked: Taylor.
Referee: G Poll.

NORWICH (0) 4 QPR (1) 2
Robins 47, Bowen 54, Sheron 58, White 63 (og) — Barker 24, Gallen 62 — 19,431

Norwich: B Gunn, J Wright (sub: R Newman, 22min), M Bowen, J Newsome, J Polston, N Adams (sub: J Goss, 90), I Crook, M Milligan, D Eadie, M Robins, M Sheron.
QPR: S Dykstra, D Bardsley, C Wilson, S Yates, A McDonald, M Meaker (sub: B Allen, 75), I Holloway, S Barker, D White, K Gallen, T Sinclair.
Booked: Bardsley, Wilson, Barker.
Referee: M Reed.

WEST HAM (0) 2 SOUTHAMPTON (0) 0
Allen 49, Rush 62 — 18,853

West Ham: L Miklosko, T Breacker, A Martin, S Potts, J Dicks, M Allen, M Rush, A Cottee, I Bishop, M Marsh, L Chapman.
Booked: Dicks.
Southampton: D Beasant, J Kenna, S Charlton (sub: F Benali, 75min), J Magilton, R Hall, K Monkou, M Le Tissier, R Ekelund, I Dowie, N Maddison (sub: D Hughes, 86), P Allen.
Booked: Monkou, Benali.
Referee: J Worrall.

Yesterday

ARSENAL (2) 2 COVENTRY (0) 1
Wright 13, 32 — Wegerle 81 (pen) — 31,725

Arsenal: D Seaman, L Dixon, N Winterburn, I Selley, S Bould, M Keown, K Campbell, I Wright (sub: E McGoldrick, 46min), A Smith, S Schwarz, R Parlour.
Booked: Wright.
Coventry: S Ogrizovic, A Pickering, D Busst, D Rennie, S Morgan (sub: B Borrows, 72), S Flynn, J Darby, S Pressley, C Jones (sub: P Ndlovu, 54), D Dublin, R Wegerle.
Booked: Morgan, Pressley.
Referee: A Wilkie.

BLACKBURN (1) 2 MAN UTD (1) 4
Warhurst 13, Hendry 51 — Cantona 45 (pen), Kanchelskis 52, 82, Hughes 67 — 30,260

Blackburn: T Flowers, A Gale (sub: I Pearce, 84min), C Hendry, G Le Saux, S Ripley, A Shearer, J Wilcox, C Sutton, H Berg, M Atkins (sub: S Slater, 84), P Warhurst.
Sent off: Berg 45
Booked: Sutton, Berg
Manchester United: P Schmeichel, D Irwin, S Bruce, L Sharpe, G Pallister, E Cantona, P Ince, M Hughes, A Kanchelskis, R Keane, N Butt (sub: B McClair, 82)
Booked: Bruce
Referee: G Ashby.

CHELSEA (0) 2 IPSWICH (0) 0
Wise 74, Shipperley 83 — 15,068

Chelsea: D Kharine, D Hall, J Kjeldbjerg (sub: D Lee, 90), E Johnsen, P Furlong (sub: D Hopkin, 63), G Peacock, D Wise, E Newton, N Shipperley, D Rocastle, A Barness
Ipswich: C Forrest, F Yallop, S Sedgley, A Vaughan, E Youds, S Milton, G Williams (sub: D Gregory, 79), S Palmer, C Thomsen, B Guentchev, A Paz (sub: M Stockwell, 79)
Referee: B Hill



Wright: two goals yesterday

GOALSCORERS

	Lge	Cup	Euro	Total
Wright (Arsenal)	9	2	4	15
Cole (Newcastle)	8	2	4	14
Sutton (Blackburn)	9	2	1	12
Fowler (Liverpool)	9	2	0	11
Klinsmann (Tottenham)	7	4	0	11
Lee (Newcastle)	7	0	4	11
Le Tissier (Southampton)	6	5	0	11
Walsh (Man City)	8	1	0	9
Collymore (Nottm For)	7	2	0	9
Shearer (Blackburn)	7	0	1	8
Dublin (Coventry)	5	2	0	7

FA CUP DRAW

First round (to be played Nov 12, 13, 14)

York City v Rotherham United
Chesterfield v Scarborough
Hyde United or Warrington v Darlington
Wrexham v Stockport County
Walsall v Rochdale
Wigan Athletic v Spennymoor United
Crewe Alexandra v Gresley Rovers
Chester City v Witton Albion
Burnley v Shrewsbury
Bishop Auckland or Macclesfield Town v Bury
Guiseley v Carlisle United
Halifax Town v Runcorn
Preston North End v Blackpool
Altrincham v Southport
Hull City v Lincoln City
Mansfield Town v Northwich
Doncaster Rovers v Huddersfield Town
Port Vale v Hartlepool
Bradford City v Scunthorpe United
Exeter City v Hastings or Crawley
Marlow v Oxford United
Kingstonian v Brighton
Walton and Hersham v Swansea
Slough v Birmingham City
Newport (IoW) v Moor Green or Aylesbury
Kettering v Plymouth Argyle
Peterborough United v Northampton Town
Yeading v Colchester United
Bournemouth v Gloucester City or Worthing
Hereford United v Hitchin
Bath City v Bristol Rovers
Nuneaton Borough or Heybridge v Gillingham
Kidderminster v Torquay
Barnet v Woking
Cambridge United v Brentford
Ashford Town v Fulham
St Albans City or Enfield v Cardiff City
Chesham United or Bromsgrove Rovers v Cheltenham Town or Bashley
Tiverton Town or Farnborough Town v Leyton Orient
Wycombe Wanderers v VS Rugby or Chelmsford City

FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Goal diff
		HOME					AWAY						
1 Newcastle	11	4	2	0	17	6	5	0	0	12	4	29	+19
2 Nottm For	11	4	1	0	12	5	4	2	0	13	6	27	+14
3 Man Utd	11	5	0	0	10	0	2	1	3	9	9	22	+10
4 Blackburn	11	5	0	1	18	7	1	3	1	5	5	21	+11
5 Liverpool	10	4	1	0	13	3	2	1	2	11	7	20	+14
6 Norwich	11	4	2	0	9	4	1	2	2	3	6	19	+2
7 Chelsea	10	4	0	2	13	4	2	0	2	7	9	18	+7
8 Man City	11	4	2	0	18	6	1	1	3	3	10	18	+5
9 Arsenal	11	3	1	2	11	7	2	1	2	5	5	17	+4
10 Leeds	10	3	1	1	8	5	1	2	2	5	6	15	+2
11 Soton	11	2	2	1	7	5	2	1	3	10	14	15	-2
12 West Ham	11	3	1	2	5	5	1	1	3	2	6	14	-4
13 Tottenham	11	1	1	3	5	9	3	1	2	13	14	14	-5
14 Sheff Wed	11	1	3	1	6	6	2	0	4	8	14	12	-6
15 Coventry	11	2	1	2	6	6	1	2	3	7	14	12	-7
16 Aston Villa	11	1	3	2	5	7	1	1	3	8	9	10	-5
17 C Palace	11	1	1	4	3	10	1	3	1	4	4	10	-7
18 Leicester	10	2	2	1	11	10	0	1	4	2	11	9	-8
19 Wimbledon	11	1	1	3	5	8	1	2	3	3	10	9	-10
20 QPR	11	1	1	3	7	9	0	3	3	8	13	7	-7
21 Ipswich	11	1	0	4	6	10	1	1	4	4	11	7	-11
22 Everton	11	0	3	2	6	9	0	0	6	1	14	3	-16

Tottenham will be deducted 6 points at the end of the season

Endsleigh Insurance League

FIRST DIVISION

BARNSLEY (1) 2 WEST BROM (0) 0 — O'Connell 39, Redfearn 72 — 5,082
CHARLTON (0) 1 BURNLEY (0) 2 — Whyte 81 — Davis 52, Robinson 61 — 9,436
GRIMSBY (0) 1 BRISTOL C (0) 0 — Childs 61 — 4,024
OLDHAM (0) 0 STOKE (0) 0 — 8,954
PORT VALE (0) 1 BOLTON (0) 1 — Allon 80 — Green 70 — 10,003
READING (0) 0 SUNDERLAND (1) 2 — Melville 11, P Gray 48 — 10,757
SHEFF UTD (1) 1 LUTON (1) 3 — Blake 18 — Gayle 33 (og), James 72, Dixon 79 — 13,317
SWINDON (1) 2 SOUTHEND (2) 2 — Fjortoft 15, 89 — Thomson 8, Otto 18 — 9,909
WATFORD (1) 2 TRANMERE (0) 0 — Nogan 25, 75 — 6,987
WOLVES (1) 3 MILLWALL (1) 3 — Bull 27, 52, Venus 79 — Goodman 39, 86, Cadette 84 — 25,059

Yesterday

NOTTS CO (0) 0 DERBY (0) 0 — 6,389
PORTSMOUTH (0) 0 MIDDLESBRO (0) 0 — 7,281

SECOND DIVISION

BLACKPOOL (2) 2 SWANSEA (0) 1 — Ellis 30 (pen), Watson 45 — Ampadu 77 — 4,911
BOURNEMOUTH (1) 2 BRADFORD (2) 3 — Mean 35 (pen), Morris 48 — Kamara 10, Jewell 22, Huxford 50 — 3,037
BRENTFORD (0) 1 BIRMINGHAM (1) 2 — Ward 83 (og) — Shearer 38, Ward 70 — 7,779
BRISTOL R (2) 3 BRIGHTON (0) 0 — Stewart 6, Miller 25, 87 — 4,107
CARDIFF (1) 3 CAMBRIDGE UTD (1) 1 — Stant 14, 54, 85 — Jeffrey 38 — 3,580
CREWE (3) 3 HUDDERSFIELD (2) 3 — Garvey 26, MacAuley 35, Edwards 43 — Jepson 1, Billy 22, Booth 59 — 5,352
PETERBOROUGH (1) 1 WYCOMBE (1) 3 — Henry 4 — Regis 44, Garner 53, Thompson 60 — 5,924
ROTHERHAM (1) 2 LEYTON ORIENT (0) 0 — Margerson 39 (pen), Goater 71 — 2,700
SHREWSBURY (0) 2 HULL (2) 3 — Clarke 74, Stevens 80 — Peacock 29, Dewhurst 45, Lawford 81 — 3,685
STOCKPORT (1) 2 PLYMOUTH (2) 4 — Chalk 1, Francis 68 — Edworthy 24, O'Hagan 30, Landon 55, 87 — 5,652
WREXHAM (2) 3 OXFORD UTD (2) 2 — Richardson 19, 60, Connolly 26 — Humes 17 (og), Hunter 41 (og) — 3,925
YORK (1) 2 CHESTER (0) 0 — McCarthy 19, Barnes 55 — 2,820

THIRD DIVISION

BURY (2) 3 GILLINGHAM (0) 2 — Carter 5 (pen), Paskin 11, 64 — Pike 87, 89 (pen) — 2,976
CARLISLE (1) 4 BARNET (0) 0 — Reeves 32, Conway 73, Davey 81, Thomas 82 — 6,155
CHESTERFIELD (1) 1 FULHAM (0) 1 — Roberts 29 — Moore 90 — 2,860
COLCHESTER (1) 3 PRESTON (0) 1 — Brown 11, 77, Whitton 49 — Trebble 46 — 3,015
DARLINGTON (0) 3 HEREFORD (0) 1 — Gregan 71, Olsson 77, Painter 90 — Cross 62 — 1,996
EXETER (1) 2 SCUNTHORPE (1) 2 — Came 33, Cecere 74 — Henderson 4, Juryeff 89 — 2,511
HARTLEPOOL (1) 1 WALSALL (1) 1 — Houchen 36 — Lightbourne 25 — 1,704
LINCOLN (1) 2 SCARBOROUGH (0) 0 — Bannister 45 (pen), Daley 83 — 2,396
MANSFIELD (0) 0 DONCASTER (0) 1 — Jones 78 (pen) — 2,986
NORTHAMPTON (1) 1 WIGAN (0) 0 — Grayson 35 — 5,379
TORQUAY (1) 4 ROCHDALE (0) 1 — Goodridge 38, 86, Hodges 64, Hathaway 77 — Thackeray 58 — 2,547

SENDINGS OFF
First division: Hoyland (Burnley), 90.
Second division: Huxford (Bradford), 63; Nicolls (Plymouth), 71.

GOALSCORERS

First division: 14 Aldridge (Tranmere). 12 Whyte (Charlton); Fjortoft (Swindon). Second division: 14 Moody (Oxford Utd). 13 Booth (Huddersfield). Third division: 12 Carter (Bury); Freedman (Barnet). 11 Reeves (Carlisle).
Scottish Premier: 9 Coyne (Motherwell). 8 Hateley (Rangers). 7 Booth (Aberdeen). First division: 16 O'Boyle (St Johnstone). 13 Britton (Dundee). Second division: 7 Scott (East Fife); Lilley (Greenock Morton). Third division: 15 Yardley (Cowdenbeath). 8 Kennedy (Montrose).

BELL'S LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

PREMIER DIVISION

CELTIC (0) 0 FALKIRK (1) 2 — 23,719 — Henderson 14, Clark 54
DUNDEE UTD (0) 0 HIBERNIAN (0) 0 — 7,983
HEARTS (2) 2 ABERDEEN (0) 0 — Frail 12, Robertson 41 — 10,655
KILMARNOCK (0) 2 PARTICK (0) 0 — McKee 57, Brown 64 — 7,023
MOTHERWELL (1) 2 RANGERS (0) 1 — Arnott 11, 50 — Philliben 82 (og) — 11,160

FIRST DIVISION

DUNFERMLINE (0) 2 AIRDRIE (1) 2 — French 58 (pen), 78 — Cooper 6, Smith 77 — 6,352
HAMILTON (2) 2 AYR (0) 0 — Duffield 2, Renicks 35 — 1,066
ST JOHNSTONE (1) 3 RAITH (0) 1 — Curran 38, O'Boyle 58, 79 (pen) — Dalziel 86 — 3,925
ST MIRREN (0) 1 DUNDEE (1) 2 — Elliot 79 — McCann 40, 83 — 2,758
STRANRAER (0) 0 CLYDEBANK (0) 1 — 725 — Grady 90

SECOND DIVISION

BERWICK (1) 2 GREENOCK M (0) 1 — Hawke 18, 69 — Lilley 88 (pen) — 738
CLYDE (0) 0 STENHOUSEMUIR (0) 0 — 1,119
DUMBARTON (0) 0 QUEEN OF SOUTH (0) 0 — 725
EAST FIFE (1) 4 STIRLING (1) 3 — Scott 27, Beaton 66, Hope 69, Burns 90 (pen) — McInnes 8, Taggart 51, McQuilter 88 — 1,183
MEADOWBANK (1) 1 BRECHIN (0) 0 — Williamson 34 — 149

THIRD DIVISION

ALLOA (0) 1 ALBION (0) 0 — Lamont 83 — 440
ARBROATH (0) 1 CALEDONIAN T (1) 2 — Tosh 62 — Thaflot 25, Lisle 92 — 592
EAST STIRLING (0) 1 MONTROSE (0) 2 — Russell 57 — Kennedy 59, 77 (pen) — 631
FORFAR (1) 2 QUEEN'S PARK (0) 0 — Bingham 1, 54 — 534
ROSS COUNTY (0) 4 COWDENBEATH (0) 0 — Macleod 47, 54 (pen), Grant 63, 80 — 1,302

SENDINGS OFF
Premier division: Moore (Rangers), 38. First division: McNamara (Dunfermline), 44. Third division: Winter, 54 and Russell, 57 (both Cowdenbeath).

GM CONFERENCE

KIDDERMINSTER (0) 2 BATH (1) 1 — Davies 65, Forsyth 70 (pen) — Brooks 38 — 1,917
MERTHYR (2) 2 DAG & RED (0) 0 — Jenkins 12, Rogers 38 — 369
WELLING (0) 3 GATESHEAD (0) 0 — Gorman 62, Brown 70, Farley 78 — 612
WOKING (1) 2 RUNCORN (0) 0 — Dennis 45, 83 — 1,887

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
		HOME					AWAY					
1 Woking	16	5	4	1	22	13	4	0	2	7	6	31
2 Macclesfield	15	5	3	1	16	8	3	2	1	10	7	29
3 Altrincham	14	3	1	4	13	11	5	1	0	19	7	26
4 Kettering	14	4	2	1	12	7	3	2	2	11	9	25
5 Bromsgrove	15	4	3	1	17	10	3	1	3	10	11	25
6 Kidderminster	14	5	1	1	14	5	2	2	3	11	13	24
7 Gateshead	14	4	2	2	13	6	2	2	2	7	12	22
8 Farnborough	13	2	1	2	6	9	4	2	2	11	12	21
9 Halifax	13	3	2	1	11	6	2	3	2	10	12	20
10 Southport	14	4	0	2	17	7	2	1	5	5	14	19
11 Bath	15	2	1	3	15	15	2	3	3	12	14	19
12 Northwich	11	2	2	0	9	2	1	5	1	9	12	16
13 Runcorn	15	2	3	2	10	12	2	1	5	12	16	16
14 Stalybridge	13	2	1	2	9	9	2	2	4	14	15	15
15 Dover	10	1	4	1	6	6	2	1	1	6	4	14
16 Welling	13	4	1	3	16	12	0	1	4	5	14	14
17 Dag & Red	14	3	1	2	8	7	1	1	6	5	18	14
18 Telford	9	3	2	0	8	2	0	1	3	4	8	12
19 Stevenage	11	1	2	3	7	10	2	1	2	7	5	12
20 Merthyr	12	3	1	2	12	10	0	1	5	3	14	11
21 Yeovil	15	1	1	5	6	11	1	3	4	7	14	9
22 Stafford	14	1	0	6	8	16	1	2	4	9	18	8

TONIGHT

LEEDS v LEICESTER

Howard Wilkinson, the Leeds manager, is looking to make up lost ground with tonight's match against Leicester and games against Southampton, Ipswich, Wimbledon and Queens Park Rangers, who are all beneath Leeds in the table. Deane and Dorigo are fit again but White and Strachan remain unavailable. For Leicester Grayson and Whitlow return to Elland Road to face their old club. Mohan is set to replace the suspended Willis and Joachim may displace Lowe after recovering from injury.

EUROPEAN RESULTS



Riedle, of Borussia Dortmund, clashes with Kreuzer, of Bayern Munich

ITALY: Cremonese 1 Juventus 2; Fiorentina 4 Padova 1; Foggia 0 Inter 0; Genoa 1 Lazio 2; Milan 0 Sampdoria 0; Napoli 3 Bari 0; Parma 2 Reggiana 1; Torino 2 Brescia 0. Positions: 1, Parma, played 7, 16; 2, Lazio, 7, 14; 3, Roma, 6, 14; 4, Juventus, 7, 14; 5, Fiorentina, 7, 12; 6, Foggia, 7, 12; 7, Sampdoria, 7, 11; 8, AC Milan, 7, 11; 9, Torino, 7, 10; 10, Bari, 7, 10.

GERMANY: 1860 Munich 4 Freiburg 0; Duisburg 0 B Leverkusen 2; B Uerdingen 1 Schalke 1; VfB Stuttgart 4 Karlsruhe 0; B Dortmund 1 Bayern Munich 0; E Frankfurt 2 D Dresden 0. Positions: 1, B Dortmund, played 10, 16 points; 2, Werder Bremen, 9, 14; 3, B Leverkusen, 10, 12.

FRANCE: Sochaux 0 Nantes 0; Lens 4 Lyon 0; St Etienne 1 Cannes 0; Strasbourg 1 Monaco 0; Nice 0 Paris SG 4; Bordeaux 4 Metz 2; Martigues 4 Caen 1; Rennes 1 Lille 0; Le Havre 2 Bastia 2. Positions: 1, Nantes, played 14, 30 points; 2, Lyon, 14, 26; 3, Strasbourg, 14, 24; 4, Paris Saint-Germain, 14, 24; 5, Cannes, 14, 23; 6, Lens, 14, 23; 7, Bordeaux, 14, 22; 8, Martigues, 14, 22; 9, Auxerre, 13, 21; 10, Saint-Etienne, 14, 20; 11, Rennes, 14, 20; 12, Bastia, 14, 16; 13, Monaco, 14, 16; 14, Sochaux, 14, 15; 15, Metz, 14, 14; 16, Le Havre, 14, 13; 17, Nice, 14, 13; 18, Lille, 14, 13; 19, Caen, 14, 10; 20, Montpellier, 13, 9.

HOLLAND: RJC Kerkrade 3 Nijmegen 1; Breda 1 Sparta Rotterdam 3; Heerenveen 3 Vitesse Arnhem 0.

SPAIN: Celta Vigo 1 Atletico Madrid 0.

PORTUGAL: Braga 0 Sporting Lisbon 2. Positions: 1, Sporting Lisbon, played 8, 15 points; 2, FC Porto, 7, 11; 3 Guimaraes, 7-9.

BELGIUM: Lommel 0 Sint-Truiden 1; Lierse 0 Mechelen 0; Beveren 1 Seraing 0; Ghent 0 RWD Molenbeek 0; Cercle Brugge 3 Standard Liege 0; FC Liege 1 Ostend 2.

AUSTRIA: Sturm Graz 0 SV Salzburg 1, Admira Wacker 1 FC Linz 2; Linzer ASK 1 Vorwaerts Steyr 1; FC Tirol Innsbruck 3 VfB Moedling 1; Rapid Vienna 3 Austria Vienna 1. Positions: 1, FC Tirol Innsbruck, played 14, 18 points; 2, Vorwaerts Steyr, 14, 17; 3, Austria Vienna, 14, 17; 4, SV Salzburg, 14, 16; 5, Sturm Graz, 14, 16; 6, Rapid Vienna, 14, 15; 7, FC Linz, 14, 13; 8, Linzer ASK, 14, 12; 9, Admira Wacker, 14, 11; 10, VfB Moedling, 14, 5.

SWITZERLAND: St Gallen 0 Basle 3; Young Boys 0 Lugano 3; Lausanne 3 Servette 1; Sion 2 Neuchatel Xamax 1. Positions: 1, Grasshoppers, played 14, 21 points; 2, Lugano, 15, 18; 3, Lausanne, 15, 18; 4, Neuchatel Xamax, 15, 18; 5, Lucerne, 14, 16; 6, Aarau, 14, 15; 7, Sion, 15, 14; 8, FC Zurich, 14, 12; 9, Basle, 15, 12; 10, St Gallen, 15, 12; 11, Servette, 15, 11; 12, Young Boys, 15, 9.

YUGOSLAVIA: Zemun 0 Partizan 0; Vojvodina 4 Napredak 0; Rudar 1 Radnicki 1; Spartak 2 Rad 3, Red Star 2 OFK Beograd 0.

Endsleigh Insurance League — First division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Gls
		HOME					AWAY						
1 Wolves	13	6	1	0	17	5	2	2	2	8	8	27	25
2 Reading	13	4	2	1	8	2	3	1	2	9	6	24	17
3 Tranmere	13	6	0	0	16	7	1	2	4	4	10	23	20
4 Middlesbro	13	4	1	1	10	4	3	2	2	7	8	24	17
5 Swindon	13	5	3	0	13	7	1	0	4	7	10	21	20
6 Charlton	13	3	2	2	12	9	2	2	2	11	12	19	23
7 Luton	13	1	2	3	8	9	4	2	1	12	8	19	20
8 Sunderland	13	1	4	1	6	5	3	3	1	8	4	19	14
9 Stoke	13	4	0	2	13	7	1	3	3	4	13	18	17
10 Southend	13	4	0	2	7	6	1	3	3	7	16	18	14
11 Grimsby	13	4	2	1	13	6	0	3	3	7	16	17	20
12 Bolton	13	3	2	1	9	5	1	3	3	11	12	17	20
13 Oldham	13	4	1	2	13	9	1	1	4	7	11	17	20
14 Portsmouth	13	2	3	2	9	10	2	2	2	7	7	17	16
15 Watford	13	3	3	1	12	9	1	2	3	3	8	17	15
16 Barnsley	13	3	3	1	7	5	1	2	3	4	7	17	11
17 Sheff Utd	13	3	2	2	10	7	1	2	3	4	5	16	14
18 Derby	13	3	2	1	8	4	1	2	4	5	9	16	14
19 Port Vale	13	3	1	3	8	9	1	2	3	6	10	15	14
20 Bristol C	13	2	2	2	3	4	2	1	4	7	8	15	10
21 Burnley	13	0	4	2	5	7	3	1	3	9	9	14	11
22 Millwall	13	2	3	1	12	8	0	3	4	5	12	12	17
23 West Brom	13	2	1	2	4	6	0	3	5	6	16	10	10
24 Notts Co	13	0	4	3	7	12	1	1	4	7	11	8	14

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Gls
		HOME					AWAY						
1 Huddersfld	13	4	1	1	13	7	4	3	0	19	11	28	32
2 Oxford Utd	13	5	1	0	12	4	3	2	2	14	11	27	26
3 Wycombe	13	4	1	1	11	6	4	1	2	11	10	26	22
4 Stockport	13	5	0	2	14	8	3	1	2	13	11	25	27
5 Brentford	13	4	0	3	10	7	4	0	2	13	7	24	23
6 Crewe	13	4	1	2	14	12	3	1	2	12	8	23	26
7 Bradford	13	3	1	2	9	8	4	1	2	14	10	23	23
8 Blackpool	13	5	1	1	13	10	2	1	3	9	9	23	22
9 Birmingham	13	3	2	1	12	6	3	3	1	9	8	23	21
10 Wrexham	13	4	2	1	11	7	2	2	2	9	9	22	20
11 Hull	13	4	0	2	8	5	2	3	2	11	14	21	19
12 Bristol R	13	3	4	0	16	9	1	3	2	3	4	19	19
13 Peterboro	13	1	3	3	8	14	3	2	1	9	8	17	17
14 York	13	3	2	2	12	9	1	2	3	6	7	16	18
15 Brighton	13	3	2	1	6	3	1	2	4	7	14	16	13
16 Shrewsbury	13	3	3	1	16	10	1	0	5	6	9	15	22
17 Plymouth	13	1	2	3	5	15	3	1	3	10	10	15	15
18 Rotherham	13	3	1	3	9	11	1	1	4	6	10	14	15
19 Swansea	13	0	4	2	2	6	2	3	2	12	10	13	14
20 Cambridge	13	3	0	3	13	12	0	2	5	3	13	11	16
21 L Orient	13	3	2	1	9	7	0	0	7	4	15	11	13
22 Cardiff	13	1	2	4	7	10	1	2	3	9	12	10	16
23 Chester	13	1	1	4	7	12	0	1	6	2	11	5	9
24 Bournemth	13	[illegible]	1	5	8	16	0	0	6	3	16	4	11

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Gls
		HOME					AWAY						
1 Bury	13	6	1	1	13	4	4	0	1	11	1	31	24
2 Carlisle	13	6	1	0	13	3	3	2	1	10	7	30	23
3 Doncaster	13	4	2	0	11	4	3	2	2	7	6	25	18
4 Walsall	13	4	1	1	15	7	2	4	1	7	6	23	22
5 Barnet	13	2	3	1	11	7	4	1	2	7	8	22	18
6 Torquay	13	4	2	1	15	10	2	1	3	7	7	21	22
7 Chesterfld	13	2	3	2	4	3	4	0	2	11	8	21	15
8 Scunthorpe	13	3	1	3	11	8	3	1	2	9	8	20	20
9 Colchester	13	4	0	3	9	12	2	2	2	7	8	20	16
10 Rochdale	13	3	0	3	9	9	3	1	3	11	18	19	20
11 Darlington	13	3	1	3	10	10	2	2	2	5	4	18	15
12 Fulham	13	2	2	2	9	5	2	3	2	7	10	17	16
13 Lincoln	13	4	2	1	12	7	1	0	5	4	10	17	16
14 Mansfield	13	2	2	3	6	6	3	0	3	6	7	17	14
15 Exeter	13	4	2	1	9	7	0	1	5	1	12	15	10
16 Preston	13	1	0	3	6	6	3	2	4	10	12	14	16
17 Hereford	13	2	2	3	6	8	1	2	3	8	13	13	14
18 Northamptn	13	2	2	2	6	6	0	5	2	6	8	13	12
19 Hartlepool	13	3	1	3	7	8	0	2	4	2	8	12	9
20 Gillingham	13	2	2	2	7	7	1	0	6	7	15	11	14
21 Scarboro	13	1	1	4	7	10	2	1	4	6	13	11	13
22 Wigan	13	1	1	4	8	11	1	0	6	7	15	7	15

BELL'S LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Goal diff
		HOME					AWAY						
1 Rangers	10	4	0	1	9	3	2	1	2	8	6	19	+8
2 Hibernian	10	3	2	0	12	3	1	3	1	2	3	17	+8
3 Motherwell	10	2	3	0	10	7	2	2	1	8	6	17	+5
4 Celtic	10	2	2	1	5	4	2	2	1	6	4	16	+3
5 Hearts	10	4	0	1	8	2	1	1	3	4	9	16	+1
6 Falkirk	10	2	2	1	5	5	1	2	2	8	9	13	-1
7 Dundee Utd	10	2	2	1	4	3	1	0	4	4	11	11	-6
8 Kilmarnock	10	2	1	2	5	5	0	2	3	1	8	9	-7
9 Aberdeen	10	1	3	1	9	9	0	2	3	4	8	8	-4
10 Partick	10	1	1	3	5	7	1	1	3	3	8	8	-7

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Goal diff
		HOME					AWAY						
1 Dunfermline	10	4	1	0	11	2	1	4	0	6	5	20	+10
2 Airdrie	10	1	4	0	2	0	3	2	0	11	5	18	+8
3 Dundee	10	3	2	0	12	6	2	1	2	8	10	18	+4
4 Clydebank	10	3	1	1	10	3	1	2	2	3	5	15	+5
5 St Johnstn	10	2	2	1	8	4	1	3	1	5	7	14	+2
6 Raith	10	1	4	0	7	4	1	2	2	3	5	12	+1
7 Hamilton	10	2	2	1	7	8	0	3	2	3	9	11	-7
8 St Mirren	10	1	1	3	5	7	0	4	1	5	7	8	-4
9 Ayr	10	1	3	1	8	8	0	1	4	1	10	7	-9
10 Stranraer	10	1	2	2	3	4	0	0	5	1	10	5	-10

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Goal diff
		HOME					AWAY						
1 Berwick	10	4	1	0	7	3	2	2	1	10	9	21	+5
2 Stirling	10	3	1	1	9	4	3	0	2	9	10	19	+4
3 East Fife	10	2	1	2	10	9	3	2	0	6	2	18	+5
4 Stenhsmuir	10	2	3	0	6	2	1	2	2	5	8	14	+1
5 Dumbarton	10	2	1	2	5	5	2	1	2	7	9	14	-2
6 Clyde	10	2	1	2	10	7	2	0	3	4	6	13	+1
7 Greenock M	10	2	1	1	6	4	2	0	4	5	10	13	-3
8 Queen of S	10	2	0	3	8	7	1	2	2	1	4	11	-2
9 Meadowbnk	10	2	0	4	5	5	2	0	2	8	5	9	+3
10 Brechin	10	0	1	4	5	12	1	1	3	3	8	5	-12

Meadowbank deducted 3 points for fielding an ineligible player

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pt	Goal diff
		HOME					AWAY						
1 Montrose	10	3	1	1	8	4	3	1	1	10	5	20	+9
2 Forfar	10	4	1	0	8	3	2	0	3	5	8	19	+2
3 E Stirling	10	3	1	1	13	7	2	2	1	8	7	18	+7
4 Alloa	10	2	2	1	7	6	3	1	1	13	7	18	+7
5 Caledonian	10	2	1	2	11	13	3	1	1	8	6	17	0
6 Cowdenbth	10	2	1	2	9	8	3	0	2	10	8	16	+3
7 Ross Co	10	2	1	2	12	10	2	1	2	7	6	14	+3
8 Queen's Pk	10	2	0	3	6	8	1	2	2	8	7	11	-1
9 Arbroath	10	0	1	4	2	8	2	0	3	11	16	7	-11
10 Albion	10	0	0	5	5	15	0	1	4	2	11	1	-19

ALL THE OTHER LEAGUES

NORTHERN PREM

Premier division: Barrow 3 Matlock 1; Boston United 5 Droylsden 1; Buxton 4 Horwich 0; Chorley 2 Frickley 3, Colwyn Bay 5 Whitley Bay 1, Emley 3 Knowsley 3. Gainsborough 1 Winsford 1.
First division: Alfreton 2 Radcliffe 1, Atherton 7 Fleetwood 1, Bamber Bridge 2 Gretna 2; Curzon Ashton 1 Worksop 1. Eastwood 3 Harrogate 1, Goole 1 Farsley 1, Great Harwood 1 Caernarfon 8; Mossley 0 Congleton 1, Workington 2 Ashton United 4.

Premier div	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Marine	17	14	3	0	36	11	45
Morecambe	15	11	2	2	36	16	35
Guiseley	12	8	4	0	28	16	28
Bishop A	14	9	0	5	29	14	27
Boston Utd	15	7	5	3	30	17	26
Barrow	15	8	1	6	34	24	25
Winsford	16	6	6	4	27	22	24
Colwyn Bay	15	7	1	7	31	28	22
Witton	17	5	7	5	19	24	22
Buxton	16	6	3	7	21	22	21
Emley	15	5	4	6	26	29	19
Gainsboro	12	5	2	5	27	21	17
Knowsley	12	4	5	3	22	22	17
Spennymoor	13	5	2	6	18	22	17
Horwich	16	5	2	9	24	29	17
Hyde	12	4	3	5	18	21	15
Chorley	14	4	3	7	21	32	15
Frickley	15	3	4	8	17	23	13
Accrington S	14	2	6	6	14	24	12
Whitley Bay	15	2	4	9	17	35	10
Matlock	14	3	0	11	16	28	9
Droylsden	14	1	3	10	15	40	6

BEAZER HOMES

Premier division: Atherstone 0 Cambridge City 2; Dorchester 4 Rushden and Diamonds 0, Halesowen 1 Hednesford Town 2. Sittingbourne 0 Leek Town 0, Sudbury Town 0 Worcester 0. Postponed: Trowbridge v Gravesend and Northfleet.
Midland division: Bilston 1 Dudley 2; Forest Green 3 Redditch 1; Grantham 1 Sutton Coldfield 2, Ilkeston 2 Newport AFC 2. King's Lynn 2 Evesham 0, Leicester United 0 Rothwell 2, RC Warwick 1 Stourbridge 4. Tamworth 1 Buckingham 2. Southern division: Burnham 0 Waterlooville 4, Bury 1 Weston SM 5; Clevedon 6 Tonbridge 0; Erith and Belvedere 0 Margate 3; Fisher 0 Weymouth 0; Havant 1 Wealdstone 1, Witney 0 Baldock 2, Yate 1 Poole 4

Premier div	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Cheltenham	10	7	1	2	27	9	22
Hednesford	9	6	3	0	19	9	21
Worcester	11	6	3	2	14	5	21
Leek Town	10	5	3	2	19	9	18
Gloucester	7	5	2	0	12	4	17
Rushden & D	9	5	1	3	23	17	16
Dorchester	8	4	2	2	16	11	14
Chelmsford	8	4	2	2	12	7	14
Solihull	7	4	2	1	9	7	14
Halesowen	11	3	3	5	24	22	12
Sudbury T	10	3	3	4	13	19	12
Burton	8	3	2	3	10	10	11
Crawley	12	3	2	7	14	28	11
Atherstone	10	2	4	4	10	13	10
Cambridge	8	3	1	4	8	12	10
Hastings	7	2	3	2	9	7	9
Trowbridge	9	2	3	4	8	11	9
Sittingbn	11	2	2	7	9	20	8
Gresley	7	2	1	4	11	14	7
VS Rugby	10	1	4	5	8	14	7
Gravesend & N	7	1	2	4	5	12	5
Corby	9	1	1	7	6	26	4

DIADORA LEAGUE

Premier division: Carshalton 3 Harrow 4. Dulwich 2 Bromley 2. Grays 2 Hendon 1. Hayes 1 Bishop's Stortford 0. Purfleet 0 Molesey 1.
First division: Abingdon 2 Leyton 2, Barking 1 Uxbridge 1. Basingstoke 1 Tooting and Mitcham 1. Berkhamsted 0 Newbury 3. Billericay 3 Maidenhead 5. Bognor Regis 3. Boreham Wood 2, Chertsey 4 Aldershot 1; Dorking 1 Ruislip 1. Whyteleafe 2 Wembley 0; Wivenhoe 0 Staines 4. Second division: Bracknell 4 Tilbury 1, Cheshunt 1 Banstead 1: Edgware 1 Chalfont St Peter 1, Hampton 2 Croydon 7, H Hempstead 1 Barton 1; Hungerford 0 Aveley 1, Oxford City 5 Ware 1; Windsor and Eton 3 Malden Vale 1. Witham 2 Thame 1. Third division: Canvey I 2 Bedford Town 1; Clapton 1 Tring 2, Collier Row 4 Northwood 1; E Thurrock 3 Lewes 2; Epsom and Ewell 2 Harlow 2; Hackwell 3 Cove 3: Harefield 3 Feltham and Hounslow 1; Hertford 1 Horsham 0, Kingsbury 4 Leighton 3. Southall 1 Camberley 2

Premier div	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Slough	12	8	3	1	23	13	27
Hayes	9	7	2	0	19	6	23
Enfield	12	6	4	2	32	15	22
St Albans	11	5	4	2	31	26	19
Aylesbury	10	5	3	2	18	10	18
Harrow	11	6	0	5	17	16	18
Chesham	12	5	2	5	26	19	17
Bromley	12	4	5	3	19	15	17
Grays	14	3	8	3	19	20	17
Purfleet	10	5	1	4	21	21	16
Carshalton	12	5	1	6	20	25	16
Molesey	11	4	3	4	14	15	15
Bishop's S	12	4	3	5	16	24	15
Yeading	10	4	2	4	24	21	14
Sutton Utd	12	3	5	4	15	16	14
Hendon	12	3	4	5	20	21	13
Kingstonian	11	3	3	5	20	19	12
Walton & H	8	2	3	3	8	12	9
Dulwich	10	2	3	5	13	23	9
Marlow	12	2	2	8	15	28	8
Hitchin	10	1	4	5	9	17	7
Wokingham	9	1	1	7	9	25	4

FA CUP

Fourth qualifying round: Accrington Stanley 0 Spennymoor 1. Southport 2 Stalybridge 1. Altrincham 2 Marine 1. Guiseley 6 Durham City 0, Bishop Auckland 2 Macclesfield 2; Morecambe 0 Witton 1, Northwich 2 Blyth Spartans 0; Hyde 1 Warrington 1; Halifax 3 Lancaster 1. Stafford 0 Slough 4; St Albans 0 Enfield 0. Chesham 1 Bromsgrove 1; Braintree 0 Gresley 2. Burton 0 Hitchin 1, Nuneaton 2 Heybridge 2. VS Rugby 0 Chelmsford 0. Yeading 1 Telford 0. Moor Green 1 Aylesbury 1 Gloucester 1 Worthing 1. Marlow 1 Sutton United 0; Tiverton 4 Farnborough 4. Dover 1 Kingstonian 2; Hastings 1 Crawley 1 Walton and Hersham 3 Yeovil 2. Salisbury 2 Ashford 3. Newport (IOW) 1 Trowbridge 0; Cheltenham 1 Bashley 1.

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Arnold 10 Denaby 1; Ashfield 2 Lincoln 1; Brigg 3 Armthorpe 0. Glasshoughton 1 Belper 4; Hallam 1 Sheffield 1; Maltby MW 1 Ossett Albion 2; Ossett Town 3 North Ferriby 1, Pickering 3 Pontefract 0, Stocksbridge 5 Liversedge 0; Thackley 0 Hucknall 0.

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Barnstaple 2 Calne 1, Frome 2 Bridport 4. Mangotsfield 1 Westbury 5; Odd Down 1 Elmore 1; Saltash 1 Bideford 0; Taunton 2 Paulton R 2; Torrington 1 Bristol Manor Farm 2. First division: Backwell 0 Glastonbury 0. Bridgwater 1 Amesbury 0; Brislington 3 Welton Rovers 2; Chard 1 Bishop Sutton 1: Dawlish 0 Melksham 4; Exmouth 3 Devizes 1; Heavitree 3 Wellington 1 Ilfracombe 1 Warminster 2. Keynsham 1 Clyst Rovers 0, Minehead 0 Larkhall Athletic 2.

JEWSON EASTERN COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier division: Chatteris 2 Felixstowe 4. Great Yarmouth 1 Cornard 2; Hadleigh 0 Wisbech 3. Halstead 1 Lowestoft 1, Haverhill 0 Woodbridge 2; Histon 1 Tiptree 4. March 1 Wroxham 2, Soham 1, Diss 4 Sudbury 3. Stowmarket 2. First division: Clacton 1 Long Sutton 0; Stanway 2 Ely 4, Warboys 2 Brightlingsea 1

CARLING NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Bacup Borough 1 Burscough 2: Blackpool 2 Bootle 0; Bradford Park Avenue 1 Rossendale 0; Chadderton 1 St Helens 0; Darwen 0 Penrith 3; Glossop North End 1 Trafford 1, Kidsgrove 1 Salford 2; Maine Road 0 Clitheroe 2; Nantwich 1 Newcastle 2; Prescot 3 Eastwood Hanley 2; Skelmersdale 2 Holker OB 2. Challenge Cup Final: Maghull 1 Formby 1.

FEDERATION BREWERY NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Bedlington 3 Shildon 1; Chester Le Street 9 Northallerton 1, Ferryhill 1 Whitby 5, Guisborough 2 West Auckland 2; Hebburn 1 Billingham Synthonia 2; Murton 2 Prudhoe 1, Peterlee 0 Dunston 5, Seaham Red Star 2 RTM Newcastle 3, Tow Law 3 Eppleton CW 0

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Arsenal 2 Cambridge United 1; Ipswich 0 Norwich 4; Millwall 2 Gillingham 1; Southend 4 Portsmouth 3. League Cup: Second round: Bristol City 3 Bristol Rovers 0; Charlton 1 Chelsea 2; Colchester 1 Luton 0; Crystal Palace 2 Brighton 2; Fulham 1 Wimbledon 2; QPR 2 Bournemouth 1; Tottenham 0 Leyton Orient 1; West Ham 2 Watford 1. Second division: Brentford 2 Oxford United 2; Reading 2 Southampton 1; Wycombe Wanderers 0 Swindon 1.

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION: First division: Southampton 2 QPR 3

LONDON SPARTAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Amersham 0 St Margaretsbury 3; Beaconsfield 0 Cockfosters 0; Brimsdown 2 Croydon 3, Brook House 3 Walthamstow 1; Hillingdon 5 Barkingside 0; Waltham Abbey 0 Corinthian 6; Willesden 5 Haringey 1. First division: Beckton 4 Lewisham 3, Craven 1 Old Roan 2, Metpol Chigwell 2 Cray V 1, Walthamstow 1 Woolwich 1.

UNIJET SUSSEX LEAGUE: First division: Arundel 3 Newhaven 0; Hailsham 2 Littlehampton 0; Oakwood 3 Pagham 2; Portfield 0 Eastbourne 3, Shoreham 3 Langney Sports 1; Three Bridges 1 Ringmer 2. Whitehawk 2 Stamco 1; Wick 2 Southwick 1 John O'Hara Cup: First round: Redhill 4 East Grinstead 2; Worthing Utd 2 Crowborough Athletic 4

HELLENIC LEAGUE: Premier division cup: Second round: Banbury 1 Moreton 1; Cirencester 4 Brackley 1; Fairford 2 North Leigh 1; Kintbury Rangers 0 Bicester 8. First division: Cirencester 2 Ardley 4; Didcot 3 Bishops Cleeve 2; Harlen 1 Purton 0; Headington Amateurs 1 Cheltenham Saracens 1, Kidlington 2 Wallingford 1; Lambourn 13 Yarnton 1; Letcombe 2 Easington Sports 1; Rayners Lane 1 Clanfield 0; Wantage 1 Endsleigh 2; Wootton Bassett 3 Milton 5.

SOUTHERN OLYMPIAN LEAGUE: First division: Mill Hill Village 1 Nottsborough 6; Old Owens 3 St Mary's College 3; Southgate County 2 Wandsworth Borough 1.

OLD BOYS LEAGUE: Premier division: Ignatians 1 Tenisonians 3. First division: Tenisonians 1 Salvatorians 0 London Old Boys Senior Cup: Chertsey 4 Vaughanians 2; Glyn 3 Phoenix 0; Latymer 2 Mill Hill City 0; Leyton 1 Dorkinians 2; Aloysians 2 Clapham 1; Chigwellians 6 Tollingtonians 2; Grocers 3 Carthusians 1; Hamptonians 3 Wilsonians 1; Isleworthians 2 Alpertonians 3, Kingsburians 5 Edmontonians 4; Meadonians 14 Addeyans 2; Minchenderians 4 Cardinal Manning 5 Suttonians 7 Southallians 0; Westhamians 1 William Fitt 2; Shene 2 Greenfordians 1

ARTHURIAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Etonians 1 Wellingburians 1; Lancing 0 Malvernians 1 First division: Witleians 5 Westminsters 0

SOUTHERN AMATEUR LEAGUE: Old Latymerians 0 West Wickham 2, South Bank 1 Crouch End Vampires 0; Civil Service 1 Old Esthameians 1, Norsemen 1 East Barnet OG 0; Carshalton 1 Lensbury 0; Polytechnic 3 Old Stationers 0, Lloyds Bank 3 Old Parkonians 3; Old Bromleians 1 Broomfield 1; Alexandra Park 0 Old Parmiterians 0, Barclays Bank 1 Old Lyonian 4, Reigate Priory 0 Alleyn OB 5, Southgate Olympic 6 Brentham 1.

HEREWARD SPORTS UNITED COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Bugbrooke 2 Whitworths 1; Cottingham 0 Sharnbrook 2; Daventry 4 Northampton Vanaid 12; Ford Sports 3 Burton PW 3; Irchester 6 Harrowby 0; Olney 1 ON Chenecks 1; Ramsey 0 Higham 1; St Neots 6 British Timken 0; Thrapston 2 Blisworth 0.

WINSTONLEAD KENT LEAGUE: First division: Corinthian 1 Beckenham 0; Cray Wanderers 0 Kent Police 1; Crockenhill 0 Dartford 3; Darenth Heathside 2 Deal 7; Faversham 0 Whitstable 1; Folkestone Invicta 5 Thamesmead 1; Greenwich 4 Ramsgate 2; Herne Bay 1 Canterbury 2; Tunbridge Wells 1 Furness 1.

KONICA LEAGUE OF WALES: Bangor City 3 Llanelli 0; Barry Town 2 Holywell 1; Caersws 2 Flint Town 3; Connahs Quay 0 Inter Cardiff 1; Cwmbran 1 Rhyl 4; Ebbw Vale 3 Conwy 2; Maesteg Park 0 Llansantffraid 3, Mold 4 Aberystwyth 2; Newtown 1 Afan Lido 1; Porthmadog 2 Ton Pentre 3.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Inter Cardiff	10	8	2	0	24	9	26
Bangor City	10	8	1	1	23	9	25
Ton Pentre	10	6	2	2	24	14	20
Mold	10	6	1	3	23	17	19
Afan Lido	10	5	2	3	15	14	17
Porthmadog	10	5	1	4	19	11	16
Flint Town	10	5	1	4	21	14	16
Newtown	9	4	4	1	21	15	16
Connah's Q	10	5	1	4	17	13	16
Cwmbran	10	5	0	5	15	16	15
Barry Town	9	4	2	3	15	14	14
Caersws	10	4	1	5	23	21	13
Ebbw Vale	10	4	1	5	14	13	13
Holywell	10	3	4	3	15	15	13
Rhyl	10	4	0	6	20	24	12
Conwy	10	3	2	5	10	14	11
Llansant'd	10	2	2	6	16	20	8
Llanelli	10	1	2	7	13	40	5
Aberystwyth	10	0	4	6	12	24	4
Maesteg P	10	0	1	9	2	25	1

P&J HIGHLAND LEAGUE: Brora Rangers 2 Wick Academy 0; Clachnacuddin 1 Forres Mechanics 2; Nairn County 0 Fort William 7; Rothes 0 Fraserburgh 1.

SMIRNOFF IRISH LEAGUE: Ards 2 Distillery 1, Ballymena 2 Linfield 1; Bangor 1 Crusaders 1; Carrick Rangers 2 Ballyclare 1; Cliftonville 2 Newry 2; Coleraine 2 Glenavon 1, Glentoran 0 Omagh Town 0; Portadown 0 Larne 1.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Portadown	6	5	0	1	11	3	15
Crusaders	6	4	2	0	20	9	14
Linfield	6	4	1	1	17	4	13
Glentoran	6	4	1	1	12	3	13
Glenavon	6	3	1	2	13	7	10
Coleraine	6	2	3	1	14	12	9
Distillery	6	3	0	3	10	9	9
Ards	6	2	3	1	8	7	9
Bangor	6	2	2	2	3	4	8
Carrick	6	2	2	2	12	15	8
Ballymena	6	2	1	3	9	11	7
Omagh Town	6	1	3	2	5	8	6
Cliftonville	6	1	2	3	6	10	5
Newry	6	1	1	4	10	19	4
Larne	6	1	0	5	2	17	3
Ballyclare	6	0	0	6	3	16	0

BORD GAIS LEAGUE OF IRELAND: Premier division: Galway 2 Cork 1; St Patrick's Athletic 5 Sligo Rovers 0; Cobh Ramblers 0 Derry City 0; Monaghan Utd 0 Shamrock Rovers 1.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Shamrock R	10	5	3	2	14	8	18
Bohemians	10	5	2	3	17	8	17
Cork City	10	6	2	3	18	17	17
Galway Utd	10	5	2	3	14	18	17
St. Patricks	10	3	5	2	14	7	14
Dundalk	10	4	2	4	7	11	14
Shelbourne	10	3	4	3	14	14	13
Derry City	10	3	4	3	9	10	13
Cobh R	10	3	3	4	11	12	12
Monaghan Utd	10	2	4	4	8	8	10
Athlone Town	10	2	4	4	13	17	10
Sligo Rovers	10	1	3	6	6	15	6

POOLS CHECK

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FORECAST: Telephone claims are required for 21 and 20½ points. The dividend forecast is very good with three jackpot draws, four high-score draws, two no-score draws and one void match.

IAN STEWART



Davies, having dummied his way through the Australia defence, escapes the clutches of Mullins to score Great Britain's try and set up a famous victory at Wembley. Davies also kicked a goal in the 8-4 triumph

Davies inspires Britain to triumph in adversity

Great Britain 8
Australia 4

BY CHRISTOPHER IRVINE

WHEN it comes to triumph in the face of adversity, British rugby league for 80 years has trumpeted the valiance of the so-called Rorke's Drift Test. It has a stirring sequel now, and should the fates continue to smile fondly on Great Britain, it would mark the beginning of the end of 24 years of domination by Australia.

Twelve players did what ten managed at Sydney in 1914. In both instances, 13 had not been given a hope. Yet outnumbered and, to all intents and purposes, outmanoeuvred and helpless, Great Britain triumphed. "Wembley 1994," someone yelled in the intoxicating fervour. "Mark it well."

In eight weeks since his appointment as Great Britain coach, Ellery Hanley has succeeded where Frank Myler, Maurice Bamford, Johnny Whiteley and other notables failed against Australia. The passion and commitment that characterised Hanley the player were transplanted into his team.

It was Australia, remarkably, who shrank from the task. Surely they cannot make such lethargy a habit? Britain's bravery will, deservedly, be remembered more than the cowardly act that necessitated it. Shaun Edwards will be at the mercy of an international board disciplinary panel today following his sending-off, the first of a Britain captain or player in a Wembley international. Such notoriety in itself hardly warrants leniency, nor should any be forthcoming. Edwards leapt at Bradley Clyde in the 26th minute — a "reflex action", he called it — his swinging right arm catching the second-row forward with a sickening blow around the neck. A precautionary brain scan cleared Clyde after he experienced dizziness returning to the dressing-room at half-time. As he will now miss the next match, Edwards can expect at least the same.

Britain know all too well that Australians cornered are dangerous. Scathing criticism back home accompanied Australia's defeat at Wembley in 1990, and Old Trafford, the scene of the second John Smith's international on Saturday week, is where Mal Meninga pulled victory from the jaws of defeat last time.

Hanley's team fought one of the great rearguard actions in seeing off supposedly one of the best sides to leave Australian shores.

"This surpasses anything I achieved as a player," Hanley said. "But I'm conscious that the job is only half done." Britain have nicked one game in each of the past three series. A series victory is a different matter.

After the tactical miscalculation of the first match — the expansive game was strangely kept under wraps — Australia will not repeat the mistake of trying to play up the middle, where Britain's sharpness at the play-the-ball frustrated their efforts.

The one time Australia spun the ball wide, in the 71st minute, Renouf scored. By then, however, Australia were far too deep down the hole they had dug for themselves with their lack of adventure. As excellent as Britain's scrambling defence was, their vulnerability of being a man down was never properly exploited on the flanks.

The defence was heroic. Alongside Connolly in the centre, Hunte was seen as a tackling weakling. Yet they were the most solid of rocks, along with the entire pack. Then there was Jonathan Davies. At the heart of repelling wave after attacking wave — the second half was one of almost ceaseless pressure — his magic also prised Australia open.

From 40 yards, his dummy and acceleration left Renouf and Fittler trailing. Mullins showed Davies the outside and he was gone. An X-ray today on a shoulder injury that forced him to sit out an agonising last quarter will determine his fitness for Old Trafford. Bobby Goulding's goal in injury time was deserved recognition for his inspired contribution and put the seal on a memorable victory.

SCORERS: Great Britain: Try: Davies Goals: Davies, Goulding. Australia: Try: Renouf

GREAT BRITAIN: J Davies (Warrington; sub: A Bateman, Warrington, 58min); J Robinson (Wigan), G Connolly (Wigan), A Hunte (St Helens), M Offiah (Wigan); D Powell (Sheffield; sub: B McDermott, Wigan, 23), S Edwards (Wigan); K Harrison (Halifax; sub: M Cassidy, Wigan 61); L Jackson (Sheffield), C Joynt (St Helens); D Betts (Wigan), A Farrell (Wigan; sub: B Goulding, St Helens, 31); P Clarke (Wigan).

AUSTRALIA: B Mullins (Canberra); A Ettingshausen (Cronulla), M Meninga (Canberra), S Renouf (Brisbane), W Sailor (Brisbane); L Daley (Canberra; sub: R Stuart, Canberra, 56), A Langer (Brisbane), I Roberts (Manly), S Walters (Canberra), P Harragon (Newcastle), P Sironen (Balmain; sub: D Pay, Canterbury, 52), B Clyde (Canberra; sub: D Furner, Canberra 40), B Fittler (Penrith).

Referee: G Annesley (Australia)

Hanley's approach adds up to victory in numbers game



SIMON BARNES
At Wembley

Let us get things straight right at the start: this could not have happened. In rugby league, you cannot beat any team, let alone one supposed to be the finest team to visit these shores, when you are a man down. The game simply does not work like that.

The galvanising sending-off is a freakish effect of football, not of rugby. Football is a sport in which team dementia can produce all kinds of bizarre and topsy-turvy results. The classic example is the Argentina v Cameroon match in the 1990 World Cup, in which Cameroon, by the end reduced to nine men, beat the world champions.

But this cannot happen in rugby league. This is because the basis of the game is the search for the overlap: for the extra man. The basis of all attacking ploys is to produce the illusion of a fourteenth man.

The basis of all defensive ploys is to prevent any such illusion, to oppose man against man: an unbreachable wall of 13 monoliths. A team of 12 cannot oppose a team of 13: they cannot attack, because they cannot create the illusory fourteenth man; they cannot defend, because the wall is breached from the start.

From the moment Edwards, the Great Britain captain, was sent off, and rightly, for his attempted decapitation of Clyde, it was clear that the Brits had thrown away a match that was there for the winning. Australia, surprisingly respectful of British reputations, had settled for a grinding, attritional game plan, and the Brits were going toe-to-toe with them.

The sending-off — it was obvious — was going to change all that. In rugby league, numbers are too important. Australia would break away and win: such matters are an inevitable part of the geometry of the game.

But that was not the way it happened. The rules of geometry broke down with the addition of a new dimension: the arithmetic, like a journalist's expenses, simply failed to add up. The final equation of the game: 12 - 1 = 14. And what's more, the Brits managed to get a receipt: Great Britain 1, Australia 0.

The try was a piece of pure conjuring, but the defence was a still greater miracle. Twelve men could not have managed: who, then, was the phantom tackler, the tackler with no name, who materialised, silent, hunched and impossibly broad of shoulder, every time that logic suggested that Australia had at last produced the overlap?

I am convinced that he was a figment of Ellery Hanley's imagination. The lust for battle is so strong in the new Great Britain coach that it took solid form and assumed the shape of a glowering and impassable figure in a British shirt: a craving for victory made flesh.

Hanley had been preaching his gospel to me: "Put your body on the line." He said that again and again, because rugby league is a tackling game first, a ball-handling game second. It is impossible to say how much these words matter to him: "Rugby league is everything."

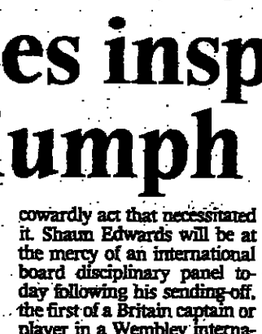
Which is all very well, but Hanley was not actually playing. At half-time, I thought that if that had been the case — the silent man as ever in full tongue on the pitch — then the Brits might even have had a faint chance of holding on to their half-time lead. But the doubly impossible came to pass: they did it without him.

Was it Hanley's doing? Had his unquenchable appetite for strife pervaded the squad that had been deprived, through no manner of injustice, of their captain? Or was it in the chemistry of the players themselves? Probably not even the players know the truth, just as they will still scarcely be able to believe the result, and that they were part of it.

For all through the game it was a question of when, not if, the 12-man line would buckle and break. The crushing disappointment of a miraculous Offiah break and a certain try, called back for a forward pass, opened the way for Australia's counter-assault, and the Australian try.

The crowd braced for the inevitable deluge of Australian scoring, but Hanley's Wall buttressed itself for the final minutes of shuddering tackles. This was not a wall of bricks and logic, it was a wall of pure spirit, and it was not breached again.

I remember Peter Roebuck writing that the youth of Britain had gone soft, lacking as it did the moral fibre of colonials. Perhaps, if Hanley has nothing better to do after this three-match series, he would fly out to Australia and maybe just *breathe* on the England cricket team.



Edwards grimaces after being sent off

Giant slow to stir from slumber

Brentford 1
Birmingham City 2

BY RUSSELL KEMPSON

SLEEPING-GIANT syndrome afflicts those who have scaled the peaks and fallen on hard times or those who exist in vast catchment areas, supposed football hotbeds, yet attract minimal support. Or those who forever preach that glorious days are just around the corner when the harsh reality is locked in an impenetrable fog of self-deception.

Birmingham City have suffered, and are still suffering. They qualify on numerous counts and, on awakening from their slumber at the end of last season, found they had slipped into the Endsleigh Insurance League second division.

Brentford have no such delusions of grandeur, and never have. Apart from the occasional minor divisional title in 105 years, victory in the 1942 War Cup final and their Freight Rover Trophy runners-up medals of 1985, they know their place.

Who, therefore, has the more unenviable task? Barry Fry, the Birmingham manager, whose colourful, jack-in-the-box personality has yet to unravel the mysteries of St Andrews since his arrival in December last year. Or Dave Webb, the Brentford manager, whose shrewd budgetary skills have lifted the club from its post-relegation gloom of 17 months ago.

At Griffin Park on Saturday, clues were plentiful. Brentford, unbeaten in six matches and without a goal conceded, against Birmingham, just one defeat in 11 games and that against Blackburn Rovers. What emerged, however, was a mish-mash of the positive and negative, with neither side competent enough to wrest overall control.

Webb's Brentford contained too many big men offering too few ideas; too many promising moves ending in too few chances. Stephenson's constant twisting and turning was wasted.

Fry's Birmingham, listless and clueless, simply sat back, soaked it up and waited until the Middlesex monsoon engulfed the ground. Dearden, the Brentford goalkeeper, barely saw Shearer's 38th-minute drive, lashed in through the storm from 20 yards and was beaten for the first time in 661 minutes.

After the interval, Birmingham's apathy disappeared. Daish, Hunt and Claridge spurned openings before Hunt and Claridge combined neatly for Ward to make it 2-0 via Dearden's near post in the seventieth minute. Seven minutes from time, Ward scored at the wrong end when his leg diverted in Stephenson's wayward shot.

"There is still a lot of improvement left in us but, when it matters, we'll be up there," Fry said. Birmingham's sleeping giant, indecent expectation rising, stirs again. "Good luck to them," Webb said. "We've just got to keep on trying to do it our way." If Brentford fail, after a gallant attempt, so be it. An everyday tale of chalk and cheese.

BRENTFORD (4-4-2): K Dearden — B Statham, S Wessley, B Ashby, M Grainger — L Harvey, P Smith, C Hutchings (sub: D Mundee, 72min), P Stephenson — R Taylor, N Forster.

BIRMINGHAM CITY (4-4-2): I Bennett — G Poole, D Barnett, L Daish, C Whyte — L Donowa, M Ward, P Shearer, J Hunt — S Claridge, G Bull (sub: J Dominguez, 82).

Referee: C Wilkes.

Cup loss drives Yeovil out to boos

BY WALTER GAMMIE

WALTON and Hersham reached the FA Cup first round for the first time since 1975 by beating Yeovil Town, who hold a non-league record 45 first-round appearances, 3-2 on Saturday at Stompond Lane.

The Diadora League side's goals were scored by Francis Joseph, the former Brentford and Wimbledon striker, but the damage was done by his forward partner, Mickey Banton, whose fearless commitment unhinged a Yeovil defence that was missing its linchpin, John McClelland. Tiv Lowe, their coach, was pressed into service.

A large, disgruntled following, who had seen Yeovil lose their past five Vauxhall Conference matches, barracked Brian Hall, the team manager, throughout. They were only temporarily silenced when Cordice put Yeovil 1-0 up after 28 minutes.

Joseph scored in the 34th and fiftieth minutes, and then put away a penalty in the 71st minute to allay Walton worries after Warmington was sent off.

Wallace's late reply, another penalty, was ignored in the tumult of a demonstration in front of the stand. After the match, Hall ran a gauntlet of chanting supporters. No cup run means no money to help to clear the debts that still hamstring the club.

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Carlisle forsake manual labour

Carlisle United 4
Barnet 0

BY IVO TENNANT

A LOWLY club can spend, play or hoof its way out of the third division. If Carlisle's rumoured wage bill is to be believed, their football continues in this vein and their coaching manual is strictly followed, then they are capable of meeting all three criteria. Promotion beckons.

Carlisle's biggest victory of the season came on Saturday over a club that also has pretensions to playing decent football and to moving up the Endsleigh Insurance League. As Barnet are managed by Ray Clemence, one would expect nothing less. But this was a victory that suggested a greater gap separates these two than three places in their humble division.

On a shelf in Mick Wadsworth's office lies the only coaching manual to be seen, *Soccer Tactics and Skills*, by Charles Hughes. Not one copy but two. It might be inferred that his Carlisle side would know all about the direct route to goal. On this occasion, though, they won through craft and stealth, and one splendid goal.

This was scored by an American with a degree in theology. Paul Conway paid his way to find Cumbria last year. Soon after arriving he found that defenders did not care for his determined runs.

Carlisle were a goal ahead through Reeves but still far from assured of victory when, in the 73rd minute, Conway collected the ball inside his own half and decided on one kind of direct route to goal. Barnet's defence backed off, expecting a pass to another forward positioning himself at inside right. Conway eschewed him and slipped his shot over a sprawling Phillips.

Such confidence might have been gleaned from his father, who played for Manchester City and also Fulham in the era of Bobby Moore and Alan Mullery. It permeated Carlisle's entire side, for in the next eight minutes they scored two further goals through Davey and Thomas, the latter a former England youth international forward who looks too slippery to be playing at this level.

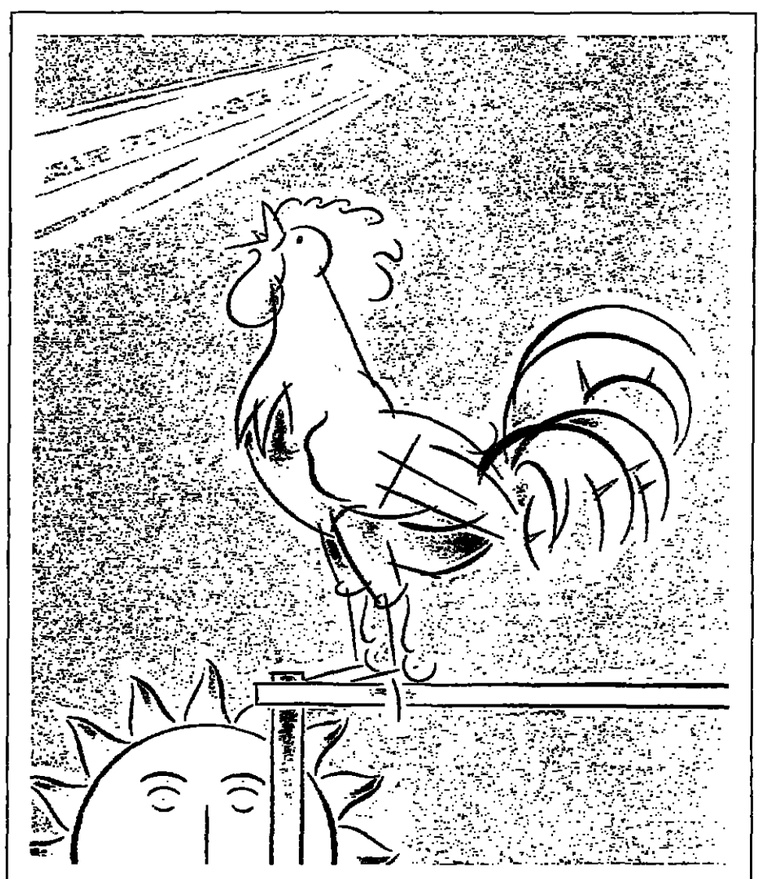
Off the pitch, financial matters are watched over by Michael Knighton, best remembered for his ball-juggling escapism with Manchester United. Now, as chairman and chief executive of Carlisle, he deals with what he bafflingly calls "peripheral income streams". The club trusts him to realise them.

As for Barnet, they are fashioned in the image of Tottenham Hotspur, where Clemence was formerly goalkeeper and assistant coach. So their forward line, notably Freedman and McMahon, playing his first match since he was loaned out by Osvaldo Ardiles, is exciting. But their defence is weak. The last three goals were conceded through "cardinal defensive errors", as Clemence put it. Any more of these and the gap between Carlisle and themselves will be widened still further.

CARLISLE (4-3-3): A Cag — D Edmondson, D Mountfield, D Watling, P Murray — P Conway, D Currie (sub: J Thorpe, Balmain), R Prokas — R Thomas, D Reeves, S Davey

BARNET (4-3-3): G Phillips — D McDonald, M Newson, L Primus, S Gale (sub: M Tomlinson, 75) — C Hoddle, M Cooper, P Wilson — G McMahon, L Hodges, D Freedman.

Referee: R Poulain



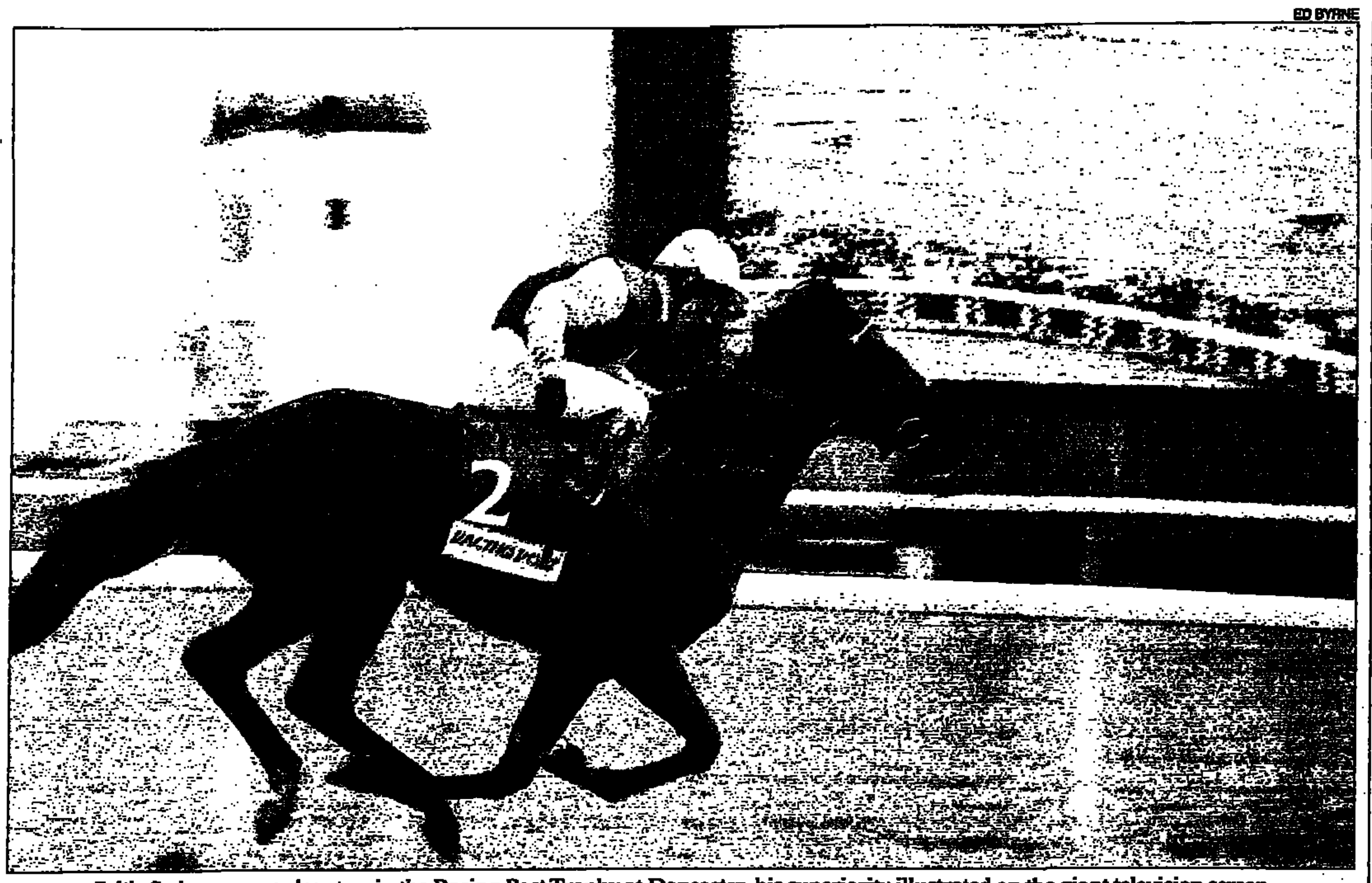
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Celtic Swing powers clear to win the Racing Post Trophy at Doncaster, his superiority illustrated on the giant television screen

Celtic Swing proves his quality

By Julian Muscat

NOTHING betrays the significance of a moment quite like an act of spontaneity. As Celtic Swing completed his rout in the Racing Post Trophy, a stampede gathered pace from the grandstand as racegoers craned for a glimpse of this extraordinary thoroughbred in the winner's enclosure at Doncaster. They may just have seen a great horse.

Certainly his owner, Peter Savill, has no doubts. Savill indicated yesterday that Celtic Swing would next year attempt to win the Triple Crown, a sequence last completed by Nijinsky in 1970. "I don't think anyone doubts that he's up to that standard," he said. "The Triple Crown elevates a horse to a rare level. It's a statement of his durability to race from April to September over three different distances."

The Triple Crown comprises the 2,000 Guineas, Derby and St Leger. It poses the ultimate test of a thoroughbred. After Celtic Swing's total domination of his seven opponents, who can blame Savill for daring to aim for the skies? Doubtless those with the complete history of the Turf at their disposal will unearth a performance of equal authority by a juvenile in group one company, but such academia pales in comparison with the excitement generated by Celtic Swing on Saturday.

The colt, near-black in appearance and oblivious to the weight of expectation placed squarely on his shoulders, must have exceeded the hopes of his most ardent supporters as he crushed the challenge of Annus Mirabilis by 12 lengths. His autumnal stroll forced the bookmakers into hasty revisions of their ante-post positions, from which Ladbrokes emerged the bravest, offering Celtic Swing at 5-2 for the 2,000 Guineas and 5-1 for the Derby.

A state of euphoria engulfed both Lady Herries, who trains the colt, and Savill himself, who bought him seven months ago from his breeder, the Duchess of Norfolk. Celebrations were in order: for Lady Herries, who had announced her arrival into the big league, and for Savill, who had announced his engagement, to Ruth Pinder, two days earlier.

Celtic Swing now enters winter quarters unbeaten in three races. On each occasion he has been raised in class, he has responded by increasing the margin of his superiority. Rarely has a racehorse exerted such an early stranglehold on the classics, although to judge by Lady Herries's comments afterwards, Celtic Swing is but half the man into which he will eventually mature.

"He was so backward a year ago that I thought we'd break him and turn him away for six months," said the winning trainer. "I still don't know how good he is. He's never off the bridle at home; he's usually half asleep. Increasingly, I've had to work him with faster and faster horses, and he still brushes them off."

There is considerable physical improvement within his tall and lengthy frame. He was born with a fluent gait and an unflappable temperament. However, he has already suffered from sore shins on two separate occasions, and certain elements of his constitution suggest that, unlike a lanky schoolboy, Celtic Swing may not simply grow out of his problems.

Although doubts surrounded his ability to act on the prevailing soft ground at Doncaster, he may actually have thrived on the surface. Certainly he had returned visibly aching from his debut on good ground in July, a legacy, perhaps, of his less-than-perfect front legs, which, by their alignment at the knee, are not best designed to absorb the strains of racing on fast ground. It is a largely technical point, but one worth pondering by those in a hurry to support him for next year's classics.

Given an adequate preparation, it is hard to envisage what might defeat Celtic Swing in the 2,000 Guineas. But the Derby is a different matter. Even his trainer conceded he is not the archetypal horse for Epsom's gradients. Hopefully, the rigours of racing will not afflict Celtic Swing, who is a dream of a horse. And whatever his future achievements, he has already rewarded Savill's substantial investment in the sport. "After 17 years as an owner, I was beginning to wonder whether the really good horse would ever arrive," he said. "Now I think it has."

LEADERS ON THE FLAT

TRAINERS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Days since win	Level stakes
J Berry	121	110	105	18	-278.53
M Johnston	108	88	81	3	-53.82
R Hannon	108	122	126	6	-391.26
M Stoute	105	73	84	9	-54.00
J Gosden	92	96	64	4	-60.88
Mrs M Reveley	81	76	64	1	-30.93
J Dunlop	77	71	54	2	-83.48
M Channon	73	56	80	15	-185.38
H Cecil	72	53	38	2	-25.80

JOCKEYS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Losing sequence	Level stakes
L Dettori	230	239	160	16	-170.40
J Weaver	189	140	129	0	+147.77
Pat Eddery	149	107	78	6	-35.03
K Darley	148	121	114	0	-113.56
T Quinn	109	113	111	40	-173.52
J Reid	97	85	74	1	-71.71
M Hills	85	75	62	2	-41.14
W Carson	85	86	84	4	-206.97
Paul Eddery	83	65	77	19	-216.24

Storm clouds threaten view of wider horizons

It is remarkable how the Breeders' Cup series has so deeply ingrained itself in the conscience of European racing. Victory on American soil represents the pinnacle of achievement, as evidenced by the enticement of Lochsong to this year's renewal at Churchill Downs in Kentucky.

Already firmly established as the dominant sprinter in Europe, Lochsong's mission is to raise her profile into the realms of greatness. No lesser status would be acceptable were Lochsong to outpace the best of the Americans, on their favoured dirt surface, in their own back yard.

Indeed, all sporting gladiators are measured by their performance on the international stage. Linford Christie, untouchable on this continent, is judged solely on his record against the Americans. It is no different for the golfers of Europe, for whom the Ryder Cup, like the Breeders' Cup, has snowballed in stature over the last decade.

Imagine the outcry, then, if the Ryder Cup was suddenly scrapped. That unthinkable eventuality may yet befall the Breeders' Cup, the future of which depends on the extension of a complicated agreement between European and American racing administrators. Important deadlines have expired, a deal remains elusive, and the Europeans are increasingly attracted to the idea of staging their own, diluted version of one of racing's most successful innovations. Such a consequence would be a thoroughly retrograde step.

As the two sides struggle to resolve a largely financial dispute, they should retreat, for one minute, from the heat of the negotiating table and reflect on the success of Breeders' Cup day. It has proved the catalyst for some priceless moments, most notably Lester Piggott's emotional victory aboard Royal Academy in the 1990 Mile.

JULIAN MUSCAT



Racing commentary

In the 70 Breeders' Cup races contested thus far, Britain has achieved but two victories, the last at Churchill Downs three years ago. Yet the torch burns more brightly than ever. When the entries for next month's series are released on Wednesday, at least 12 British-trained horses will be among them. There will be nine classic winners and 23 group one winners in the 30-strong European cast, itself a record entry. One would need a calculator with eight digits to compute the combined earnings of the European and American entrants.

So intense is the competition for places that many of our best horses will struggle for a berth in the starting stalls. Classic winners like Celtic Arms and Intrepidity seem certain to be denied; other classic horses whose places are under threat include White Muzzle, Bolas and Green Tune. No European version of Breeders' Cup day could possibly be as competitive, nor generate the frenzied debate that follows each running.

By broadening its horizons, horse racing is now richer for the differing methods, awareness and philosophies developed by other racing nations. And they, too, for ours. As much was demonstrated by Dermot Weld, whose sympathetic, cajoling handling of Vintage Crop was contemptuously dismissed by his more rugged Australian counterparts in the days before last year's Melbourne Cup. Twelve months on, it will be fascinating to monitor their sentiments as Weld primes his star for a repeat victory.

Moonax lands double in Prix Royal-Oak

MOONAX, trained by Barry Hills and ridden by Pat Eddery, completed a St Leger double by landing the group one Prix Royal-Oak at Longchamp yesterday. In a driving finish, Moonax held off Always Earnest by a short neck with Dalara another two lengths away in third. The Shaikh Mohammed-owned colt collected a winner's prize of £45,767.

At Newbury on Saturday, Peter Chapple-Hyam introduced a potential star when Spectrum made an eye-catching debut in the Whatcombe Daylight Extra Conditions Stakes. Carrying the same Lord Weinstock colours of Thursday's Horris Hill winner, Painter's Row, Spectrum had few problems with the testing ground to stretch ten lengths clear of La Contessa.

Although the performance was overshadowed by the victory of Celtic Swing at Doncaster, the Manton trainer, who had originally entered

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Spectrum in the Racing Post Trophy, has that rival in his sights.

"He and Painter's Row are about the same at home but I would think this one might have a little bit more class," Chapple-Hyam said. "We will worry about Celtic Swing next year but he will definitely be campaigned over a mile and a half."

Hills were sufficiently impressed to quote Spectrum at 20-1 for the 2,000 Guineas and the Derby.

David Chappell, currently enjoying a lucrative first season among the training ranks, is to move his string into the Whitsbury Manor Stables vacated last year by David Elsworth.

A former army officer, Chappell expects to complete the transfer by the end of the year. His search for bigger premises results from the success achieved from a string of fewer than ten horses this year. He is to rent one of the three yards at Whitsbury, which has room for up to 35 horses. "It's a very exciting time," Chappell said yesterday.

"Everyone needs a good horse to start them off. I was fortunate to have Brief Glimpse, but it wasn't until Cape Merino won for me at Ascot recently that people reacted positively. I suppose it happened at the right time of the year, just before the sales."

Brief Glimpse got Chappell's season off to the ideal start when, after landing her first two races, the filly triumphed in the valuable Weatherbys Super Sprint at Newbury in July.

□ Millyant, trained by Rae Guest, Princely Hush and Imperial Bailiwick made it a clean sweep for British runners in the group three Prix du Petit Couvert at Longchamp yesterday.

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THUNDERER

1.30 Praglia. 2.00 Fantasy Racing. 2.30 Artic Courier. 3.00 Tiheros. 3.30 True Precision. 4.00 Guards Brigade.

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103 (1) 0 JUST-MANA-MOU 20 G Lewis 9-0 S Whitworth –
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105 (9) 00 MOST WELCOME NEWS 48 J Jenkins 9-0 C Rutter 76
106 (3) 00 MUTAZZ 13 W Hern 9-0 M Hills 91
107 (13) 06 NORDINEX 25 R Armstrong 9-0 R Price 84
108 (5) PORT AUGUSTA B Hills 9-0 J Carroll –
109 (6) 0 QUINTUS DECIMUS 34 Lord Huntingdon 9-0 M Roberts –
110 (8) 06 SCHARNHORST 33 S Dow 9-0 Stephen Davies 80
111 (14) 00 CHIEF'S PRINCESS 11 (V) P McEntee 8-9 D R McCabe (5) 93
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3-1 Better Offer, 9-2 Dominion's Dream, 7-1 Mutazz, 8-1 Nordinex, 10-1 others.

2.00 BURR CONDITIONS STAKES
(2-Y-O: £4,479: 5f) (6)

201 (4) 5453 MONKEY ADEL 9 (V,D,F,S) J Berry 9-3 J Carroll 93
202 (6) 1303 FANTASY RACING 18 (D,S) M Channon 8-10 R Hughes [illegible]
203 (2) 0341 BENT AL FALA 7 (D,F) B Hanbury 8-6 J Stack (5) 80
204 (5) 4 EILEEN'S GUEST 112 R Williams 8-6 A Clark 70
205 (3) 00 ROYAL DANCER 10 T Clement 8-6 Stephen Davies –
206 (1) 05 STATOMIST 9 P McEntee 8-6 M Roberts 56

5-4 Fantasy Racing, 6-4 Monkey Adel, 5-1 Bent Al Fala, 12-1 others.

2.30 SPORTING LIFE MAIDEN STAKES
(3-Y-O: £3,633: 1m 6f) (11)

301 (8) 6222 ARTIC COURIER 10 (B,BF) D Cosgrove 9-0 J Fortune [illegible]
302 (5) 06 CITADEL HILL 26 H Cecil 9-0 A McGlone –
303 (4) I'LL BE BOUND L Cottrell 9-0 N Carlisle –
304 (3) 3202 KARTTIKEYA 7 A Stewart 9-0 M Roberts 98
305 (6) 0000 PROFESSION 25 G Enright 9-0 M Perrett 83
306 (1) THE GAUFFER N Gaselee 9-0 R Cochrane –
307 (9) 0523 WELL ARRANGED 56 R Akehurst 9-0 A Clark –
308 (10) 433 ARCTIC MAID 7 W Hern 8-9 J Weaver 97
309 (7) 5000 HUSH TINA 13 R Hannon 8-9 R Perham 75
310 (2) 0 TIERRA COLORADA 4 R Williams 8-9 N Adams –
311 (11) 00 WESTERN MEMORIES 27 G L Moore 8-9 B Rouse –

11-4 Kartikeya, 3-1 Arctic Maid, 7-2 Artic Courier, 5-1 Well Arranged, 8-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: B Hills, 37 winners from 109 runners, 33.9%; A Stewart, 6 from 19, 31.6%; H Cecil, 10 from 40, 25.0%; M Stoute, 13 from 58, 22.4%; M Johnston, 33 from 149, 22.1%.

JOCKEYS: Emma O'Gorman, 36 winners from 169 rides, 21.3%; J Fortune, 4 from 20, 20.0%; J Weaver, 22 from 116, 19.0%; M Hills, 50 from 277, 18.1%; M Roberts, 27 from 161, 16.8%.

3.00 EBF BAXI HEATING MAIDEN STAKES
(Div II: 2-Y-O: £3,739: 7f) (13)

401 (1) 43 BOB'S PLOY 13 R Akehurst 9-0 J Weaver [illegible]
402 (12) 06 DONT SHOOT FAIRIES 7 (B) C Brittain 9-0 B Doyle 86
403 (7) 0 JULIAN OLIVER 33 W G M Turner 9-0 J D Smith (5) –
404 (5) 04 RED LIGHT 27 Lord Huntingdon 9-0 B Rouse 93
405 (11) 00 SHARE THE SECRET 10 B Hanbury 9-0 T Ives 71
406 (2) SHEDANSAR M Dixon 9-0 A Clark –
407 (10) 00 SUPER HIGH 23 P Howling 9-0 W Woods 58
408 (9) 0346 TIHEROS 11 R Hannon 9-0 R Cochrane 95
409 (4) 5 TRAGIC HERO 13 J Hills 9-0 M Hills 82
410 (8) 40 BAD NEWS 10 P McEntee 8-9 Stephen Davies 85
411 (6) MISS REDWOOD P Hatleway 8-9 M Wigham –
412 (13) SENORITA DINERO M Stoute 8-9 Paul Eddery –
413 (3) 06 STATOGLOW 7 J Sheehan 8-9 D R McCabe (5) 77

7-2 Tiheros, 4-1 Bob's Ploy, 5-1 Senorita Dinero, Red Light, 8-1 others.

3.30 FALLING LEAF LIMITED STAKES
(All-weather: £2,905: 7f) (16)

501 (10) 5340 AFRICAN CHIMES 4 (CD,F,G) W O'Gorman 7-9-6 Emma O'Gorman (3) 75
502 (7) 4036 APOLLO RED 69 (B,CD,G,S) A Moore 5-9-6 Candy Morris 72
503 (12) 6100 SOAKING 48 (CD,F) G L Moore 4-9-4 B Rouse [illegible]
504 (1) 0060 BELFORT RULER 44 (D,F) B Gubby 7-9-2 J Stack (5) 74
505 (16) 0800 CAPTAIN MARMALADE 28 (C,G) D Thom 5-9-2 W Woods 64
506 (9) 0610 COURTING NEWMARKET 44 (CD,F,G) Mrs A Knight 6-9-2 Sarah Thompson (7) 76
507 (14) 0600 DANDINI 45 (V) M Dixon 3-8-13 N Adams –
508 (15) 1000 FORMIDABLE LIZ 37 (F) K Burke 4-8-13 Dale Gibson 91
509 (4) 0600 GREATEST 40 (CD,F) R Armstrong 3-8-13 R Price 81
510 (5) 0090 SALTCORN 28 (C,G) C C Elsey 9-8-13 W Newnes 80
511 (13) 5091 TRUE PRECISION 9 (D,F,G,S) J Bethell 4-8-13 T Ives [illegible]
512 (8) 0180 IT'S SO EASY 56 (D,G,S) M Johnston 3-8-12 M Hills 79
513 (11) 5050 TEE GEE JAY 7 (S) P Felden 4-8-11 N Carlisle 71
514 (8) 03-0 NORTH TO GLORY 112 R Voorspuy 3-8-8 B Doyle 54
515 (3) 0000 REGINA ALICIA 7 B Pearce 3-8-8 S Fothergill (7) 59
516 (2) 0000 RIVER FANTASY 27 (V) R Guest 3-8-8 J Fortune 80

7-2 True Precision, 5-1 It's So Easy, Soaking, 6-1 African Chimes, 8-1 others.

4.00 ELM HANDICAP
(All-weather: £3,184: 1m 4f) (18)

601 (8) 6410 KINTWYN 14 (C,G) D Laing 4-10-4 S Whitworth 86
602 (16) 3500 MR COPYFORCE 4J (B,CD,F,G) Miss B Sanders 4-9-10 W Newnes 90
603 (13) 0006 CARLOWITZ 5 (B,CD,G) A Moore 6-9-7 A Whelan (7) 80
604 (3) 0300 GUARDS BRIGADE 25 (B,G) Lord Huntingdon 3-9-2 J Weaver 86
605 (4) 0058 VILLAGE EAGLE 6 (B) C Brittain 3-8-2 B Doyle 84
606 (15) 6500 SARUM 24 (C,F,G) C Wildman 8-9-0 N Adams 84
607 (14) 0053 ADMIRALS SECRET 9 (G) C Wall 5-8-12 W Woods 92
608 (7) 0000 DAM CERTAIN 9 (C,F,G) R Ingram 5-8-12 A McGlone 84
609 (8) 2835 BEAUTETE 26 (E,F) S Dow 3-8-11 G Hind 93
610 (1) 205- DISPUTED CALL 471 (CD,G) J Hills 5-8-8 M Hills 90
611 (10) 5000 DOME PATROL 9 (C,G) W Muir 3-8-8 J Carroll 88
612 (9) 00-0 JULIASDARKINVADER 26 (C,G) A Moore 4-8-4 Candy Morris 85
613 (12) 4460 LA REINA BLANCA 73 T Thomson Jones 3-8-2 D R McCabe (5) [illegible]
614 (11) 0005 GOLDENBERRY 9 B Hills 3-8-0 Stephen Davies 94
615 (18) 1201 ROSE OF GLENN 37 (D,F,G) B Palling 3-7-13 C Rutter 97
616 (5) 0000 WICKLOW BOY 9 (V) T Clement 3-7-12 Dale Gibson –
617 (17) 0350 GLOW FORUM 60 G L Moore 3-7-7 N Carlisle 93
618 (2) 0-00 HEDGEHOG 25 J O'Donoghue 4-7-7 G Bardwell –

7-2 Admirals Secret, 4-1 Beautete, 5-1 Rose Of Glenn, Village Eagle, 12-1 Mr Copyforce, Guards Brigade, 14-1 others.

BLINKERED FIRST TIME: Lingfield Park: 1.30 Chief's Princess. 2.00 Monkey Adel. 3.00 Dont Shoot Fairies. 3.30 Apollo Red, River Fantasy. 4.00 Carlowitz.

LEICESTER

THUNDERER

1.15 LADY LACEY (nap)
1.45 Shining Dancer
2.15 Shahid
2.45 Katsura
3.15 Isle Of Pines
3.45 Hadeel
4.15 Mr Bergerac

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.15 GOLDEN BALL.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.45 KATSURA (nap). 3.15 Isle Of Pines. 3.45 Dormez Vous.

GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD

103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 .... B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F — fell, P — pulled up, U — unseated rider, B — brought down, S — slipped up, R — refused, D — disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing; J if jumps, F if flat. (B — blinkers, V — visor, H — hood, E — Eyeshield, C — course winner, D — distance winner, CD — course and distance winner, BF — beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F — firm, good to firm, hard, G — good, S — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE SIS

1.15 SEAGRAVE APPRENTICES CLAIMING HANDICAP
(£3,104: 1m 8yd) (20 runners)

1 (1) 252504 SANDMOOR DENIM 9 (D,F,G) (E Lumless) S Bowring 7-9-10 G Strange (3) 90
2 (5) 200100 FIGHTER SQUADRON 18 (B,F,G,S) (Claremont) J Glover 5-9-7 S Richardson (7) 98
3 (20) 0-13004 LITTLE ROUSILLON 13 (D,G,S) (Fayzad Ltd) W Muir 6-9-2 S McCarthy (3) 97
4 (14) 6-00405 FINJAN 13 (F,S) (F Knox) A Foster 7-9-2 G Mitchell 95
5 (10) 040034 LADY LACEY 14 (V,D,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs K Perrin) G Balding 7-9-2 S Lanigan 97
6 (16) 032080 BLAZING HEART 28 (Avon Industries Ltd) J Hills 3-8-13 M Henry (3) 90
7 (6) 101100 NOEPROB 103 (D,F,G,S) (Mrs P Bradshaw) R Hodges 4-8-12 Amanda Sanders (5) 92
8 (2) 020643 LANGUEDOC 13 (C,D,G,S) (Mrs H Wane) M Wane 7-8-11 C Teague 95
9 (15) 554030 MR CUBE 24 (V,D,F,G) (R Milles) J Bradley 4-8-11 R Waterfield (3) 95
10 (9) 0-04600 LAUNCHSELECT 9 (I Glenton) D Chapman 3-8-9 A Eddery (5) 90
11 (13) 30-8560 SKY DIVER 95 (Bedlinog Racing Club) B Llewellyn 3-8-7 Wendy Jones (5) 91
12 (3) 630435 EASTLEIGH 9 (D,G,S) (J Bigg) R Hollinshead 5-8-6 D Denby (5) 98
13 (7) 0-46206 LEVEL EDGE 37 (B Coulthard) M Johnston 3-8-5 Oliver Casey (5) 96
14 (17) 034421 SPARKLING ROBERTA 28 (D,G) (M Hopkins) M Usher 3-8-4 C Adamson [illegible]
15 (8) 4500-0 MIDLIN 58 (J Harris) J L Harris 4-8-4 J Dennis (3) –
16 (12) 405-300 GENESIS FOUR 34 (B) (A Potts) A Potts 4-8-3 P Fessey (3) 87
17 (4) 405503 MINT A MILLION 42 (H Promotions Ltd) M Blanshard 3-8-3 D O'Neill 82
18 (18) 6565-0 OAKLEY MANOR 173 (Mr C Bayoumi) P Evans 3-8-2 Martin Dwyer 89
19 (11) 40200/0 PUFFY 30 (V,F,G,S) (A Watson) M Dods 7-8-1 P Bowe –
20 (19) 000-300 TAUFELIANE 105 (D Eccleston) J L Harris 3-8-0 R Mullen (7) 82

BETTING: 6-1 Lady Lacey, 8-1 Sparkling Roberta, 10-1 Little Rousillon, 12-1 Eastleigh, Finjan, Sandmoor Denim, Languedoc, Mint A Million, 14-1 Level Edge, Mr Cube, 16-1 others.

1993: TOCCO JEWEL 3-7-11 M Baird (8-1) M Ryan 20 ran

FORM FOCUS

SANDMOOR DENIM 3½l 4th of 12 to Dream Carrier in handicap at Wolverhampton (AW, 7f). LITTLE ROUSILLON about 1½l 4th of 12 to First Gold in handicap at Chepstow (7f, good) with FINJAN (1lb better off) 2l 5th. LADY LACEY about 2l 4th of 20 to Fairtead in handicap over course and distance (good). LANGUEDOC short-head and ¾l 3rd of 20 to Ashdren in selling handicap here (7f, good). MR CUBE 8½l 3rd of 10 to East Barns in apprentices handicap at Yarmouth (7f 3yd, good to soft) on penultimate start. EASTLEIGH 5l 3rd of 16 to Present Situation in handicap at Southwell (AW, 1m) on penultimate start with SANDMOOR DENIM (4lb worse off) 2½l 5th. LEVEL EDGE 10¾l 6th of 12 to Words Of Wisdom in maiden handicap at Wolverhampton (AW, 7f). SPARKLING ROBERTA beat Parvilys head in 18-runner apprentices' maiden handicap at Bath (1m, good) with BLAZING HEART (4lb better off) 5l 8th. MINT A MILLION 5l 3rd of 17 to Priscilla Rose in selling handicap at Bath (1m, good).
Selection: LADY LACEY

1.45 EBF WIDMERPOOL MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O: £4,350: 7l 9yd) (16 runners)

1 (12) 0 BOLSHOI 39 (Mrs D Brown) J Berry 9-0 G Carter –
2 (7) 0 COMMANDER GLEN 4 (Ladyswood Racing Club) M Meade 9-0 L Dettori –
3 (2) 0 IRIE MON 13 (J Hawkes) J Hills 9-0 R Hills –
4 (4) MAMLOUK (N Azar) J Payne 9-0 W Hood –
5 (16) 0 NORTHERN CHARMER 19 (The Bobby Halliday Ptnrs) M Meagher 9-0 J Quinn –
6 (3) SALAMAN (Lady Cohen) J Dunlop 9-0 A Darley –
7 (13) 3 STONE RIDGE 13 (Mrs C Harrington) R Hannon 9-0 Pat Eddery 94
8 (5) SWANDALE FLYER (Mrs N Bycroft) N Bycroft 9-0 Dean McKeown –
9 (8) 00 VOILA PREMIERE 21 (B Gadie) M Tompkins 9-0 P Robinson –
10 (15) 00 AIR OF MYSTERY 25 (The London Bridge Ptnrs) J Spearing 8-9 G Duffield –
11 (14) 0 ALPINE STORM 14 (R Sowerby) M Usher 8-9 J Williams –
12 (6) 222 CRAIGMILL 56 (BF) (Sir David Wills) H Cecil 8-9 W Ryan [illegible]
13 (1) HAKIKA (H Al Maktoum) D Morley 8-9 W Carson –
14 (9) 0 MILES AWAY 7 (Mrs J Walmsley, Mrs D Russell) J Fanshawe 8-9 T Quinn –
15 (11) SHINING DANCER (Maktoum Al Maktoum) M Stoute 8-9 W R Swinburn –
16 (10) SWIVEL (Lord Halifax) J Fanshawe 8-9 N Varley (5) –

BETTING: 2-1 Stone Ridge, 5-2 Craigmill, 5-1 Shining Dancer, 8-1 Hakika, 10-1 Salaman, 16-1 others.

1993: NOBLE ROSE 8-9 J Weaver (5-4 fav) L Cumani 12 ran

FORM FOCUS

STONE RIDGE 1¾l 3rd of 16 to Belfry in maiden over course and distance (good). CRAIGMILL 3l 2nd of 10 to Opera Lover in maiden at Chepstow (1m, good). HAKIKA (Feb 16: 340,000Frs) By Elmaamul, dam, half-sister to several North American winners. MILES AWAY 7½l 8th of 10 to Silver Tzar in maiden at Folkestone (7f, firm). SHINING DANCER (Mar 18) Half-sister by Rainbow Quest to 7f/1m winner Inseyab; dam, 1m 4f winner.
Selection: STONE RIDGE

2.15 JOHN O'GAUNT NURSERY HANDICAP
(2-Y-O: £3,678: 7l 9yd) (18 runners)

1 (18) 330412 AT LIBERTY 38 (C,G) (B Adams) R Hannon 9-7 J Reid 95
2 (13) 020 SHAHID 13 (H Al Maktoum) J Dunlop 9-1 W Carson 97
3 (8) 51 CLIFTON FOX 40 (D,G) (P and S Partnership) J Glover 8-13 M Birch 93
4 (4) 228 ELITE RACING 79 (Elite Racing Club) P Cole 8-6 T Quinn 93
5 (7) 506 PERFECT BERTIE 10 (Mrs H Carr) Mrs J Ramsden 8-0 J Fanning –
6 (2) 35006 MAGICAL MANOEUVERS 20 (G Chapman) B McMahon 8-0 S Sanders (5) 95
7 (17) 050040 MAGICAL BID 13 (G Fry) J Bradley 7-13 N Varley (5) [illegible]
8 (14) 001600 STUFFED 10 (F) (R Barby) M W Easterby 7-12 L Charnock 94
9 (1) 000440 NEVER TIME 21 (E Carter) J Banks 7-12 J Quinn 94
10 (3) 201600 WATER BEBE 24 (D,F) (The 3rd Kingsley House Ptnrs) M Johnston 7-11 T Williams 94
11 (11) 003010 BEX HILL 34 (D,G) (J Fox and Sons) D Haydn Jones 7-9 A Mackay 84
12 (16) 0000 CRANBROOK KATE 34 (Mrs C Watsworth) J Mackie 7-7 D Wright (5) –
13 (10) 0006 BILLS PLOUGHGIRL 42 (Mrs P Ratcliffe) J Moore 7-7 S Lanigan (7) 83
14 (9) 000000 HEE'S A DANCER 26 (B Adamson) M Brittain 7-7 J Lowe 86
15 (6) 062 EUPHYLLIA 20 (J Vaughan) Bob Jones 7-7 – 93
16 (5) 00003 MAJOR SNUGFIT 19 (B) (A Greenwood) M W Easterby 7-7 Martin Dwyer (7) 90
17 (15) 00400 EVAPORATE 14 (Western Solvents Ltd) A Foster 7-7 C Adamson (7) 95
18 (12) 650000 PAGAN HEIGHTS 27 (B) (Mrs H Olver) J Jenkins 7-7 M Baird (7) 66

Long handicap: Cranbrook Kate 7-4, Bills Ploughgirl 7-4, Hee's A Dancer 7-4, Euphyllia 7-3, Major Snugfit 7-2, Evaporate 6-11, Pagan Heights 6-4.

BETTING: 3-1 At Liberty, 5-1 Shahid, 7-1 Clifton Fox, 8-1 Elite Racing, Perfect Bertie, 10-1 others.

1993: ARCTIC DIAMOND 9-0 K Fallon (7-2) Mrs J Ramsden 15 ran

FORM FOCUS

AT LIBERTY 3½l 2nd to Lab Test in nursery at Newbury (7f 64yd, soft). Previously beat Hoh ½l in nursery here (6f, good) with NEVER TIME (10lb better off) 5l 4th. SHAHID short-head 2nd of 16 to Mandarina in maiden over course and distance (good to firm) on penultimate start. CLIFTON FOX beat Harry Welsh 1¾l in maiden at Beverley (7f 100yd, good). PERFECT BERTIE about 8½l 6th to Most Thoughtful in maiden at Catterick (6f, good to firm). EUPHYLLIA 3½l 2nd of 28 to Blackpool Festival in claimer at Redcar (7f, soft). MAJOR SNUGFIT neck and 3½l 3rd to Lucky Maggie in selling handicap nursery at Haydock (6f, soft).
Selection: SHAHID

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Wins	Rnrs	%	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	%
H Cecil	23	91	25.3	Pat Eddery	27	128	21.1
J Gosden	21	84	25.0	W Carson	26	139	18.7
H Thomson Jones	5	20	25.0	W R Swinburn	19	108	17.6
M Stoute	18	76	23.7	L Dettori	28	175	16.0
M Pipe	6	28	21.4	T Quinn	23	144	16.0

2.45 WYSALL CONDITIONS STAKES
(£4,479: 7l 9yd) (8 runners)

1 (5) 520325 JAFEICA 10 (CD,G,S) (NTC (Racing) Ltd) R Hannon 3-9-3 Pat Eddery [illegible]
2 (4) 505010 PANIKIN 11 (D,F,G,S) (P Lambert) J Wharton 6-9-2 J Quinn 82
3 (7) 1 KATSURA 13 (C,G) (Shaikh Mohammed) J Gosden 3-8-10 L Dettori 90
4 (3) 050060 REAL MADRID 28 (B) (C Wall) G Enright 3-8-9 J Williams 51
5 (2) 4 SUPERCOOL 14 (Mrs J McMahon) B McMahon 3-8-9 S Sanders (5) 65
6 (6) 2252-1 BASSMAAT 14 (CD,G) (Total Asset Ltd) Mrs L Piggott 3-8-4 R Hills 85
7 (8) 000 ROSINA'S FOLLY 51 (Lavender Hill Leisure Ltd) R Hollinshead 3-8-4 W Ryan 66
8 (1) 6540 TRUTHFUL 5 (R Popely) T Naughton 3-8-4 D Harrison –

BETTING: 6-4 Jafeica, 2-1 Katsura, 7-2 Panikin, 8-1 Bassmaat, 16-1 Supercool, 33-1 Rosina's Folly, 50-1 Real Madrid, Truthful

1993: ETOSHA 3-8-8 M Hills (7-2) G Wragg 6 ran

FORM FOCUS

JAFEICA 2l 2nd of 5 to Electrify in conditions race at Bath (1m, good) on penultimate start. PANIKIN beat Jigsaw Boy 3l in 23-runner handicap at Haydock (6f, soft) on penultimate start. KATSURA beat So Sedulous 3½l in 6-runner conditions race here (1m, good). BASSMAAT beat Triple Joy 1½l in 20-runner apprentices' maiden over course and distance (good) with SUPERCOOL 4¾l 4th.
Selection: KATSURA (nap)

3.15 SQUIRREL CONDITIONS STAKES
(£4,633: 1m 3f 183yd) (4 runners)

1 (3) 043621 COTTEIR CHIEF 20 (D,F,S) (J Neville) M Pipe 3-9-3 Pat Eddery 94
2 (1) 003136 GOLDEN BALL 45 (D,G) (Lord Weinstock) M Stoute 3-8-11 W R Swinburn [illegible]
3 (2) SHAKIYR (L & R Roadlines) R Hollinshead 3-8-7 K Darley –
4 (4) 01 ISLE OF PINES 18 (D,S) (Lord Howard de Walden) H Cecil 3-8-6 W Ryan 92

BETTING: 6-4 Golden Ball, 7-4 Isle Of Pines, 9-4 Cotteir Chief, 25-1 Shakiyr.

1993: SCOTTISH PEAK 3-8-7 Pat Eddery (7-1) Lord Huntingdon 4 ran

FORM FOCUS

COTTEIR CHIEF beat Morgana 2½l in 2-runner conditions race at Warwick (1m 4f 115yd, soft). Previously 4l 2nd of 4 to Shepton Mallet in conditions race at Nottingham (1m 2f, soft). GOLDEN BALL 3l 3rd of 5 to Midnight Legend in listed race at Goodwood (1m 6f, good) on penultimate start. SHAKIYR. By Lashkari, first foal; dam unraced half-sister to dam of Sharastani. ISLE OF PINES beat Seaward 12l in maiden at Haydock (1m 4f, soft).
Selection: GOLDEN BALL

3.45 EBF FLECKNEY MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O fillies: £4,007: 5f 218yd) (14 runners)

1 (9) BELLA SEDONA (E Reitel) P Makin 8-11 W Ryan –
2 (6) BRASS TACKS (Mrs D Sissons) R Hannon 8-11 J Reid –
3 (1) 0 DISTANT PRINCESS 10 (W Said) B Hills 8-11 Pat Eddery –
4 (3) 225 DORMEZ VOUS 90 (BF) (Shaikh Mohammed) J Gosden 8-11 L Dettori [illegible]
5 (12) 0 GOLDEN LADY 73 (HRH Prince Fahd Salman) R Hannon 8-11 T Quinn 81
6 (13) HADEEL (H Al Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 8-11 R Hills –
7 (5) 0 LA THUILE 25 (G Middlebrook) M Usher 8-11 J Williams –
8 (4) LOUGH ERNE (Sir Stanley Grinstead) C Wall 8-11 G Duffield –
9 (7) 00 NO EXCHANGE 19 (ROM Racing) M W Easterby 8-11 K Darley –
10 (2) OUR OWN AISLING (Mrs G Quinn) F Lee 8-11 W R Swinburn –
11 (14) RUN-DO-RUN (R Coombes) H Collingridge 8-11 C Hawksley (5) –
12 (8) 02 SOUTH ROCK 20 (B Farr) J Glover 8-11 Dean McKeown –
13 (11) 00 STAR INFORMATION 20 (W Moore) J Moore 8-11 D Wright (5) 92
14 (10) 0 WHITTINGHAM GIRL 20 (T & M Bibby) J Berry 8-11 G Carter –

BETTING: 5-2 Dormez Vous, 4-1 Hadeel, 6-1 Distant Princess, 8-1 Golden Lady, 10-1 Brass Tacks, South Rock, 12-1 Lough Erne, 14-1 Whittingham Girl, 16-1 Bella Sedona, No Exchange, 20-1 others.

1993: PRIMO STAMPARI 8-11 Pat Eddery (6-1) R Hannon 15 ran

FORM FOCUS

BRASS TACKS (foaled Feb 14, cost 6,000gns). Half-sister by Prince Sabo to 5f juvenile winner Dance Focus; dam modest 7f winner at three years. DISTANT PRINCESS 10l 7th of 14 to Stolen Melody in maiden at Newmarket (6f, good to firm). DORMEZ VOUS neck 2nd of 8 to Homely in maiden at Haydock (6f, good to firm) on penultimate start. GOLDEN LADY 10l 8th of 19 to Alusha in maiden at Newbury (6f, good). HADEEL (Feb 1). First foal, by Polish Precedent; dam 1m 4f maiden winner and placed over 1m 7f in listed company at three years. LOUGH ERNE (Apr 25). Half-sister by Never So Bold to useful juvenile winners Lake Pleasant and Power Lake; dam, half-sister to Oaks winner Bireme, unplaced. SOUTH ROCK 1½l 2nd of 9 to Mood Swings in maiden at Redcar (6f, soft) with WHITTINGHAM GIRL 17½l 8th.
Selection: DORMEZ VOUS

4.15 THRUSSINGTON HANDICAP
(£3,860: 5f 218yd) (22 runners)

1 (5) 600532 MR BERGERAC 6 (CD,S) (P John) B Palling 3-10-0 T Sprake 97
2 (11) 543600 BAYIN 37 (CD,F,G,S) (T Barker) M Usher 5-9-13 R Street 91
3 (7) 660200 PETRACO 24 (D,G,S) (P Williams) N Smith 6-9-10 D Griffiths (5) 94
4 (22) 005004 ORTHORHOMBUS 7 (B,D,F) (A MacGillivray) D Cosgrove 5-9-10 L Newton (5) 82
5 (9) 650002 JIGSAW BOY 18 (V,C,D,F,S) (All Eight Club) P Murphy 5-9-10 J Williams 97
6 (15) 40-0003 BORN TO BE 7 (F,G) (J Redmond) S Dow 5-9-10 T Quinn 80
7 (10) 532000 MY RUBY RING 7 (D,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs M Wickham) D Laing 7-9-9 T Williams 95
8 (14) 111000 SAILORMAITE 7 (D,G) (S Bowring) S Bowring 3-9-9 S Webster 93
9 (18) 321050 EVERSET 37 (D,F,G,S) (G Mytton) A Bailey 6-9-8 D Wright (5) 92
10 (12) 565035 JIMMY THE SKUNK 7 (D,F,G,S) (P Savill) R Hollinshead 3-9-8 K Darley 91
11 (3) 213010 ANSELLADY 18 (D,F,S) (Assets of Watford) J Berry 3-9-8 G Carter 93
12 (8) 5240-00 QUEEN OF SHANNON 7 (G,S) (Killoughery Family) M Meade 6-9-5 W R Swinburn 80
13 (4) 230000 BIRCHWOOD SUN 9 (B,D,F,G,S) (A Watson) M Dods 4-9-4 V Halliday (7) 93
14 (16) 444066 LOVE LEGEND 9 (D,F,G,S) (G Thompson) D Arbuthnot 9-9-4 L Dettori 94
15 (2) 203000 GREEN'S BID 42 (D,G) (M Hill) D Chapman 4-9-3 A Culhane [illegible]
16 (20) 310010 DORIS DOORS 13 (D,G) (Lord Crawshaw) Lord Huntingdon 3-9-3 D Harrison 96
17 (19) 540000 ARAGROVE 26 (D,F,G) (D Parkiss) J Payne 4-9-2 M Tebbutt 94
18 (17) 060620 MAID WELCOME 21 (V,F,G) Mrs N Macauley 7-9-2 Amanda Sanders (7) 97
19 (6) 015000 MELODIC DRIVE 18 (D,G,S) (Mrs C Stevens) P Felgate 4-9-1 Dean McKeown 86
20 (1) 232360 HILTONS TRAVEL 23 (S) (Mrs D Jones) E Alston 3-9-0 J Quinn 88
21 (21) 450060 NO QUARTER GIVEN 34 (C,D,F,G,S) (P Felgate) P Felgate 9-9-0 J Lowe 87
22 (13) 232422 LITTLE IBNR 9 (B) (Swinnerton Transport Ltd) P Evans 3-8-12 S Sanders (5) 92

BETTING: 8-1 Jigsaw Boy, 10-1 Mr Bergerac, 12-1 Bayin, Born To Be, Doris Doors, Orthorhombus, Ansellady, 14-1 Everset, Love Legend, 16-1 Maid Welcome, Petraco, Queen Of Shannon, Sailormaite, 20-1 others.

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FORM FOCUS

MR BERGERAC ¾l 2nd of 20 to How's Yer Father in handicap at Chepstow (6f, good). BAYIN 3l 8th to Master Of Passion in handicap at Ayr (6f, good to soft) with JIGSAW BOY (2lb better off) 3l 15th and EVERSET 5l 17th. ORTHORHOMBUS about 1½l 4th of 25 to Admirals Realm in rated stakes at Nottingham (5f, good to firm) with JIMMY THE SKUNK (5lb better off) ½l 5th and QUEEN OF SHANNON 1½l 7th. JIGSAW BOY 3l 2nd of 23 to Panikin in handicap at Haydock (6f, soft) with ANSELLADY 6l 9th, MELODIC DRIVE (1lb better off) 3l 13th and BORN TO BE (5lb better off) 3l 16th. BORN TO BE 5½l 3rd of 20 to Elsa in rated stakes at Folkestone (6f, firm) with MY RUBY RING (1lb better off) 12¼l 14th. ANSELLADY beat Aquado 2l in claiming handicap at Haydock (6f, good to soft) on penultimate start with LOVE LEGEND (8lb better off) 7l 8th, BIRCHWOOD SUN (8lb better off) 4l 13th and MELODIC DRIVE (9lb better off) 2l 15th. LITTLE IBNR 1½l 2nd to Dream Carrier in handicap at Wolverhampton (AW, 7f) with LOVE LEGEND (3lb worse off) about 3¼l 6th and BIRCHWOOD SUN (5lb worse off) 6¼l 11th.
Selection: JIMMY THE SKUNK

Barton Bank set to return

BARTON Bank, trained by David Nicholson, will attempt to repeat last year's victory in the Charlie Hall Chase at Wetherby on Saturday. The King George VI Chase winner, unbeaten in seven completed outings over fences, is 12-1 with William Hill for the Cheltenham Gold Cup.

Nicholson also plans to run Silver Wisp, third in the 1992 Derby, in the Pathlow Novices' Hurdle at Stratford on Thursday. Hills quote the five-year-old as low as 20-1 for the Champion Hurdle.

Nap: FANTASY RACING (2.00 Lingfield Park)
Next best: Jigsaw Boy (4.15 Leicester)



Duff agrees to compensation deal for boxers after contests are called off at short notice

Promoters deny liability for Bruno bill fiasco



Daly: blames co-promoter



Srikumar Sen, in Hong Kong, tries to unravel the complex circumstances behind the cancellation of Saturday's programme

THE blame for the cancellation of the tournament featuring Herbie Hide against Tommy Morrison and Frank Bruno against Ray Mercer following the financial fiasco in Hong Kong on Saturday was placed on the shoulders of Bob Arum, the head of Top Rank, by his co-promoter, John Daly, of Herndale Promotions.

The bout was called off at weigh-in time when money had not materialised for the boxers: Hide was to receive £600,000, Bruno £150,000 and Billy Schwer, who was challenging Rafael Ruelas, the IBF lightweight champion, £40,000.

Calling off the show, Arum read from a prepared statement: "The financial arrangements pertaining to the heavyweight title fight between Herbie Hide and Tommy Morrison which were to be obtained from Herndale Promotions, Hong Kong, have not been satisfactory to the extent that both Top Rank and Matchroom [Barry Hearn] could feel confident that the fighters' purses were secure."

But Daly said yesterday that his contract with Arum did not stipulate that he had to find the money for the boxers. The fact that he had tried to get the money from his bank, Jardine Fleming, did not make him responsible for the boxers' purses. He was merely trying to save the show. He said that the bank had given him $800,000 two months ago to get the show on the road and refused to give him another $800,000 a couple of days ago for the boxers as it was not his responsibility to pay the purses.

"They had a look at the contract and decided that the boxers' money was Arum's side of the deal," Daly said. "The banks turned down the collateral offered by Arum, given the television, pay-per-view and ticket sales." Only 8,000 tickets were sold in the magnificent stadium that holds 40,000 but a substantial walk-up was expected.

The bank did not share the promoters' optimism. Once the show got under way, Daly said he would have been able to raise more money to honour his side of the contract. "Arum, and Hearn, who was the one who pulled out, had no right to make the decision," Daly said.

But Hearn countered this. "I've been saying I didn't want to fight until I see the boxers' money. I can't take a promise from someone I have never met before and am unlikely to meet again." Arum said it was not possible for him to act to save the show because the bank had "tied up all the funds from the fight and there were no more funds available for the promotion."

Mickey Duff, Bruno's promoter and Schwer's manager, together with Tommy Vergetts, Morrison's trainer, blamed Arum for the breach of contract and said they would take legal action if need be. But yesterday Duff reported that, after talks with Arum, he had agreed to receiving "adequate" compensation for Bruno and Schwer.

The amount would be reflected in their purses when they box at a new venue in the United States, which is likely to be Foxwood Casino, Connecticut, or Atlantic City. If it is Foxwood, Morrison would have a distinct advantage over Hide as the casino is on an Indian reservation and Morrison is half-Indian. He could claim that, being the draw, he deserves more money than Hide.

The boxers were extremely upset by the cancellation of the show. Morrison stormed off with a few expressive words and Schwer, members of whose family had come from Canada and Australia, could hardly speak.

Steve Collins, the WBO middleweight champion from Ireland, who was to defend against Lonny Beasley, of the United States, said it all for the boxers. "I am putting on a brave face but I am devastated. When I heard the fight was off, my legs went. If I had been hit in the face it would not have been as bad ... after all the hard work and sacrifices I've made. The boxers are the real losers. I was depending on the money to build a house. I will end up in a caravan." Collins has had to spend £5,000 from his own pocket for his training here.

Bruno, who was the main attraction even if he was on the undercard, said, "It's terrible, disgusting and shocking. The boxers were not consulted at all. When the announcement was made, we were left standing there like eight cabbages. It's very unprofessional. Hong Kong is a nice place with nice people, but I've had enough of the food and I want to go home." Bruno's lawyer arrived yesterday to tie up loose ends with Arum.

Hide, though not as vehment as Collins, was also concerned about his eight-room mansion with swimming pool that he is building in 20 acres near Norwich. "But I'm going to fight in America and I'll have the money and I'll be all right," he said.

Arum was extremely apologetic. "I'm deeply sorry that this has happened. It's never happened to me in 29 years in boxing," he said.

England focus on start of play

Diplomatic Atherton blocks war of words

FROM MICHAEL HENDERSON IN PERTH

MICHAEL Atherton watched the superb British victory over Australia at Wembley with the head of a fellow toiler and the heart of a supporter. "I suppose," he said apropros the dismissal of Shaun Edwards, and alluding to his own experience last summer, "some headmaster will now say he should resign as captain."

You could say the rugby league series is a bracing prelude to the senior Ashes contest, although the one that starts at Brisbane next month requires no promotion. A reheated quote, a lack of discrimination, and already the bonfire is ablaze. Thank goodness the cricket starts tomorrow, with a one-day match against the Australian Cricket Board Chairman's XI, so that people can concentrate on the real thing.

In the past four days words have been pinging back and forth from Perth to Pakistan, where the Australians are preparing for the third Test by taking part in one of the ghastly extended one-day tournaments that now "adorn" the international calendar. A phoney war is in progress and as in all wars the first casualty is truth.

So far we have heard Atherton on Steve Waugh (or rather we have not), Waugh on Atherton (banal stuff), Devon Malcolm on the Australian batsmen at the Oval last year ("I could see the fear in their eyes") and, somewhat dangerously, Keith Fletcher's observation that Malcolm is as fast as Dennis Lillee and not far off Jeff Thomson's pace *circa* 1974.

Wilder, still, and wilder shall thy bounds be set. It is all reminiscent of Stoppard's *On the Razzle* when the stage is awash with mistaken identities and all sorts of dramatic licence. As nonsense piles on nonsense, Dinsdale Landen announced: "If we are not careful, the whole thing will become a farce."

People are looking for tales that have not as yet unfolded, and may never. Nobody is dead. Nobody has even cracked a finger, as Graham Gooch did in the first week four years ago.

Yet, in the clamour not to be left behind, people are investing the trite and circumstantial with the hue of significance.

It is a fine line Atherton treads. Should he dead-bat a question, as he did on Waugh, he is suspected of not telling the truth. If he answers expansively, he is showing his hand too soon. The daily press coriference, which is mere shadow play, is being mistaken for real life.

"There is no policy to talk things up," Atherton said. "If you are asked a question, as Fletch was about Devon, you answer them as you can. Nobody is pretending Dev's a better bowler than Lillee but he is fast and there is nothing mischievous about saying so.

"We are not at all interested in a sledging war, or whatever, but the moment we landed people were asking questions about what went on in England last year.

"The important thing is the cricket ahead. There's a good, determined mood among the players and we are looking forward to playing some cricket."

The game tomorrow, at Lilac Hill, just down the Swan River from Perth, is the traditional way to start an Australian tour. It is not exactly a festival occasion, as Arundel is, but the appearance in the Chairman's XI of Lillee, Thomson, Rod Marsh and Greg Chappell, indicates that it is — pardon the oxymoron — a serious friendly.

Tim Zoehrer, the wicketkeeper whose recent omission from the state side prompted protests, clear-the-air meetings and editorial, will play in a side led by Damien Martyn, the 23-year-old captain of Western Australia. Zoehrer, of course, is the answer to one of the great quiz questions: who finished top of the Australian bowling averages on the 1993 tour of England? He took 12 wickets with his leg spin at 20 runs apiece.

The man who has restricted Zoehrer's Test appearances to ten is flying back to Australia. Ian Healy broke his left thumb in the nine-wicket defeat by Pakistan on Saturday and is already a doubtful starter for the first Test, which starts at the Gabba on November 25. Phil Emery, the captain of New South Wales, was yesterday named as Healy's replacement.

England will select their team for the game tomorrow, and the day/night match against Western Australia on Thursday, after nets today. All members of the party will get a game before the four-day match at the WACA, which starts on Saturday. For the time being, it is all quiet on the western front.

HUGH ROUTLEDGE



Novotna at full stretch during her victory over Sukova in the final of the international tournament at Brighton Centre yesterday

Novotna curtails Sukova's net gains

BY STUART JONES
TENNIS CORRESPONDENT

JANA Novotna's week started with the stereo equipment being stolen from her car. It ended yesterday with her collecting £50,000. She earned the lucrative compensation by defeating her fellow Czech and former doubles partner, Helena Sukova, to retain the Brighton international tennis title.

The final, lasting for two hours, was staged at uncommonly close quarters and amid a largely funereal silence in the indoor arena. Neither aspect was a surprise to Novotna, the No 2 seed, but she had been worried by the prospect of the former and continues to be enchanted by the latter.

Sukova, built like an elongated pipe-cleaner, prefers to carry her slender 6ft 2in frame to the net as often as she can. So does Novotna, but throughout the tournament, as is now invariably the case in women's tennis, she had faced a sequence of opponents who dared not leave the baseline unless provoked.

She knew what to expect. Her coach, Hana Mandlikova, had played Sukova twice as often as she had but she was still unnerved by the prospect. Before Novotna could adjust to the different problems posed by her tall compatriot, she had dropped the opening set, albeit on a tie-break.

"I knew it would be difficult to play Helena because the way she plays is totally different from anything else I have faced all week and it meant having to adjust," Novotna said. "It was hard to get used to serve and volley on every single point."

Sukova, contemptuously returning serves to Novotna's backhand, was completing her recovery from a broken toe (during her convalescence, she descended to her lowest ranking for more than a decade) and an ignominious drubbing the previous week by Martina Hingis, a 14-year-old half her age.

Her attempt to gain her first title for two years began to founder as soon as Novotna raised the standard of her serve — she committed eight double faults — and rationed her advances to the net. Broken twice midway through the second set and early in the third, Sukova went down 6-7, 6-3, 6-4.

Novotna conceded that her performance was less than convincing but she has scaled new peaks. The champion in Leipzig three weeks ago, a feat which lifted her to the highest ranking of her career, No 4 in the world, she had never before either retained a title or won successive tournaments she had entered.

Last year's runner-up at Wimbledon, she relishes appearing at Brighton, where she has succumbed only to Steffi Graf, and promised to return next year to an event often shunned by her peers. The response of English crowds, though particularly quiet last week, appeals to her.

"I appreciate playing in England," she said, "because the spectators treat tennis properly, not as a crazy sport. All the talk in America recently, and especially during the US Open, has been about peripheral stuff, like rock music, but you will never have that here. That is why I love it."

Unusually affable and relaxed throughout, she has restored some credibility to an event and a profession that was demeaned by Conchita Martinez. In conveniently capitulating the day before the wedding of her coach, the top seed was rightly accused by Novotna of not trying.

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Streak and Jarvis take Zimbabwe to brink

THE fast bowling of Heath Streak and Malcolm Jarvis put Zimbabwe in sight of their first Test victory on the fourth day of the second Test match against Sri Lanka in Bulawayo yesterday.

At the close of play, Sri Lanka, forced to follow on, were 30 for two in their second innings, requiring a further 214 runs to avoid an innings defeat. The touring side was reeling at 96 for six at the start of play in reply to Zimbabwe's 462 for nine declared, but rallied to a more respectable 218 thanks to fighting contributions from Asanka Gurusinha, the opener, and Kumar Dharmasena.

But their efforts were not enough to prevent Zimbabwe enforcing the follow-on for the first time in their short Test history, with Streak taking three for 68 and Jarvis finishing with three for 30.

Streak made the breakthrough in the second innings when the opener, Roshan Mahanama, gloved a lifting delivery to third slip. Then, in the final over of the day, Gurusinha was caught down the leg side by Wayne James, the wicketkeeper.

☐ A polished innings of 81 off 84 balls by Mohammed Azharuddin, the captain, paved the way for India to beat West Indies by four wickets in the first match of a triangular limited-over series, also involving New Zealand, in Madras yesterday.

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Agassi beats Stich

STEFAN Edberg, the former world tennis No 1, sounded a warning for the rest of the year when he outclassed Richard Krajicek yesterday to win the Hong Kong exhibition tournament. Ranked fifth in the world, Edberg produced one of the finest serve-and-volley games this year to win 6-3, 7-6, 6-3. Edburg has failed to reach the final of a grand slam tournament this year — the first time since 1986.



Edberg: warning shots

In Vienna, Andre Agassi, the US Open champion, beat the German, Michael Stich, 7-6, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3, to claim the CA indoor trophy at his first attempt, in a thrilling final.

Marc Rosset, of Switzerland, overcame the former world No 1, Jim Courier, in straight sets in the ATP tournament in Lyons yesterday. Rosset, seeded fifth, beat the fourth-seeded American 6-4, 7-6, for his second title of the year on French soil.

Sport risks relegation in school league table

Mike Rosewell questions whether changes in education will leave the pursuit of athletic excellence at the bottom of the pile for pupils

The Prime Minister is determined that there should be more competitive sport in schools. His announcement to the recent Conservative Party conference, however, is likely to be undermined by the importance placed on school league tables and university entrance requirements.

Although there is evidence that most pupils are now less fit than their predecessors, the educational belief of a healthy mind in a healthy body remains in danger of being a relic of the past.

In this, my last year of working in either state or independent schools, I applaud this shift in Government policy. However, I wonder whether the obstacles are too great for any progress.

Ministerial mutterings have recently been heard in support of sport and exercise in schools, even though the facilities for these pastimes have been eaten away in the past decade.

After well over 30 years as a schoolmaster and sports coach in both state and independent schools, I welcome the ministerial hint of a change of attitude, but I wonder.

Clearly, compulsory sport and even compulsory exercise are outdated concepts in most schools but there could be developments in education making the pursuit of athletic excellence more difficult, even for those wishing to achieve such a goal.

I refer to school league tables and UCAS points university entrance requirements. Throughout my career, I have had to tread warily. Requiring young Smith to perform two hours of circuit training, when the pure academics thought that he should be poring over his books for forthcoming A levels has sometimes caused problems. In the past the defence was that his excellence in a sporting field might tip the balance in his application for university entrance.

Not so today, it seems, as a result of the UCAS points system for university entrance, based on the A, B, C, D and E grades at A level. Admittedly, the points are, reputedly, considered in conjunction with a reference from the school concerned which includes extra-curricular activities, such as sport but, with the present pressure on university places, I wonder if such references are ever read if the necessary points are not achieved. Three C grades, achieved by a boy who has gained national and county representation at sport and is the star of *Hamlet*, might be missed. The three straight As man, whatever else, is in a stronger position.

But there are more sinister side effects for school sport. The concentration by universities on the points system has recently been augmented by the publication of school league tables, again based purely on academic achievements.

The worry is that the leagues are the only manifestation of a school's standard for many and, if the best athletic school in the country fails to feature academically, it may also fail to attract customers whether it be in the state or independent sector. Headmasters, governors and parents do look at the leagues. Some, presumably, are influenced by them. If the leagues cause the governors to pressurise the headmaster, then the headmaster might pressurise the teaching staff, who will, of course, pressurise the pupils. Extra-mural activities, and particularly sport, which does not fit comfortably into the academic timetable, could be squeezed out.

The top-flight athletic school performers will presumably continue to devote their time to the improvement of their chosen pursuit, particularly in sports such as athletics, golf and football, where a career rather than a pastime beckons. For the more averagely gifted, however, parental pressure or their own worries might lead to them giving up athletic pursuits to gain possible extra A-level grades, particlarly if their school is "league conscious". For the character and future health of the country, I hope not.

☐ *Mike Rosewell is rowing correspondent of The Times and has been a schoolmaster for 35 years.*

Autissier makes mark

BY BARRY PICKTHALL

ISABELLE Autissier, the French solo yachtswoman, sailed into the record books yesterday when she became the first woman to win a stage of the BOC Challenge single-handed round-the-world race. It is a remarkable achievement, for in reaching Cape Town just after midnight, while her nearest rivals trailed more than 1,200 miles astern, the 38-year-old took more than two days off the previous record.

Autissier, who finished fifth overall in the previous BOC race, four years ago, saw no significance in her position as the first woman winner, but was amazed at the margin of her victory. "It is incredible," she said. "Even now, I don't think I totally realise what has happened."

Steve Pettengill, of the United States, who is second in *Hunter's Child*, also set a marker with a 24-hour solo run of 312 miles — the best so far in this race — but even if he can maintain this 13-knot average, it will still be Thursday before he sees Table Mountain.

Autissier, whose 60ft yacht, *Ecureuil Poitou Charentes 2*, has a novel swing keel that can be cranked up laterally by 20 degrees to improve stability, said that her forecasting ability had been the most important factor.

"First of all, I went north and east after the start of the



Autissier: stage win

race from Charleston. It was evident to me that we had to go north, but it was not easy because we started in strong winds and only two or three other guys went the same way. I was right, but for the first week I was very worried about it."

Her second break came when she cut through the doldrums, the area of calms that traverses the Atlantic just north of the equator. "I decided before the start to cross between 28 and 30 degrees west and I went through at a very good place."

Autissier's third piece of weather fortune came as she closed on the South Atlantic high-pressure system situated 2,000 miles west of the Cape. Defying convention, she turned southeast for Cape Town several hundred miles north of the established route and came close to running out of wind. "Sometimes you have to take risks, but I just caught the edge of a front which kept me going," she said.

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FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETICS

TOOTING BEC: Track-running championship: 1, D Rache (Moray Road Runners) 236.861km 2, R Littlewood (Walthamstow) 218.000, 3, S Till (Basingstoke & Mid Hants) 214.309, 4, G Oliver (Assn) 205.006 Women: 1, S Gayter (Mandale) 204.674; 2, M Savage (Coniston) 200.925, 3, H Walker (Serpentine) 170.912

SUNDERLAND: Reebok National road relay championship (6x4miles) 1, Bingley 1:57:15, 2, Blackheath 1:57.34, 3, Salford 1:58:29, 4, Swansea 1:58.39, 5, London Irish 1:59.53, 6, Bexhill Racers 2:01.05

BASKETBALL

BUDWEISER LEAGUE: Birmingham 69 (Lloyd 18, Payne/Baker 17) Sheffield 74 (Huggins 26, Cauthorn 21, Gayle 10). Hemel 102 (Eller 34, Koochof 26, Koenan 15): Derby 95 (Betka 24, Siemon 23, Lascelles 15); Thames Valley 88 (Holley 25, Scantlebury 18, Bucknall 17) Leicester City 75 (Tresvant 26, Harris/Waldron 17); Worthing 85 (Irish 37, Harrod 18, Lewis 20) Manchester 88 (Robinson 37, Gordon 16, Granger 14)

BOLOGNA: Exhibition match: VB Bologna 107 Charlotte Hornets 114

BOXING

ATLANTIC CITY: International Boxing Federation featherweight title (12 rnds): T Johnson (US, holder) bt P Segura (US) pts.

BANGKOK: World Boxing Federation flyweight title: F Sakkrinn (Thai) bt K Tcholakov (Bul) on pts. World Boxing Federation bantamweight title: F Sitkuanim (Thai) bt B Bellel (Alg) on pts

WASHINGTON: Heavyweight bout: J Carlo (US) bt L Spinks (US) rsf 1st.

BOWLS

MANCHESTER: *Inter-county trophy: preliminary round:* Berkshire 147 Oxfordshire 90

CANOEING

WALES: British open championships: Kayak: Men: 1, I Raspin (Teesside) 147.21, 2, S pearce (PEAK) 147.35; 3, A Raspin (Teesside) 147.80. Women: 1, R Crosbee (Nottingham) 175.67, 2, C Daniels (Nomad) 178.09, 3, H Come (Manchester) 178.59.

Canadian singles: 1, M Delaney (W Lothian) 165.25, 2, N Smith (PEAK) 167.30; 3, C Brown (CRCATS) 170.15 Doubles: M *Miller and S Pitt (Olympus) 176.18. 2, P* Green and S Green (Olney) 184.46, 3, A Mantle and N Smith (Birmingham)

CYCLING

CYCLO-CROSS: National Trophy (Round one, 13 miles). 1, R Hammond (Invicta RC), 1hr 3min 32sec; 2, S Douce (PCA), at 1sec. 3, N Craig (Diamond Back), at 59sec. **Sleaford Wheelers** (12ml): 1, N Taylor (Hykeham ATB), 1:02:09; 2, C Buckle (Equinox RT), at 2.48; 3, B Gray (VC Lincoln), at 3:24. **Aero BC** (10.5mi): 1, G Williams (CC Romford), 1:01.55; 2, P Burwell (Finsbury Park CC), at 3:47; 3, C Morgan (CC Romford), at 4:21 **Clarencourt CC** (15mi) 1, R Edon (Magic Bicycle CC), 1.11.01, 2, T Stevens (Olympia Sport), at 2.31, 3, M Starey (Clarencourt CC) at 4:49 **Northern Ireland CCA** (10m) 1, J Strachan (Team Chain Reaction), 59:16, 2, A Martin (Ards CC), at 26sec, 3, R Brownfield (West Down CC), at 29sec **Glasgow United CC** (12m): 1, J McBain (Penicuik RT), 1.08.00. 2, A Quinn (Glasgow United CC), at 45sec; 3, S Alderson (Penicuik RT), at 2.35.

TIME TRIALS: Knaresborough CRT Invitation (23m). 1, S Dangerfield (North Wirral Velo), 1:14:32 2, R Harris (Optimum Performance RT), 1:16.07; 3, P Longbottom (North Wirral Velo), 1:16:23. **Brighton Mitre CC** (25m) 1, B Taylor (Bournemouth Arrow CC), 53:13; 2, E Adkins (Leo RC), 53:52; 3, P Main (34 Nomads), 53.59. Team: 34 Nomads, 2 51 16 **Kettering Amateur CC** (10m) 1, G Platts (Coalville Wheelers), 20.44, 2, K Platts (Coalville Wheelers), 21.22; 3, R Swannack (45 Road Club), 21.26 Team: Coalville Wheelers, 1.04 18 **HILL CLIMBS: North Lancashire RC** (1,400yd) 1, R Binks (Huddersfield RC), 4 19.0 2, S Haggart (Kirkby CC), 4 25 6, 3, M Sewell (Southport RCC), 4 30 3 **British Universities Sports Association championship:** 1, J Hyde (Staffordshire), 4 34 4. 2, P Anderson (Warwick), 4 47 6, 3, M Whalen (Warwick), 4 51 1 Team: Warwick, 13 37.7. **Matlock CC** (1 2km) 1, M Green (Jamor RT), 3:48 3. 2, S Marchant (South Eastern RC), 3.48 4 3, I Dalton (Cherry Valley RT), *4 01.1 Team: Matlock CC, 13.25 7*

EQUESTRIANISM

LE LION D'ANGERS: Three-day event: Individual result: 1, Danan Powers (A Hoy, Aus) 55.80; 2, King Solomon III (M Thomson, GB) 55.80, 3, Hinnegar (M Ryan, Aus) Hinnegar 62.20 Team result: 1, Great Britain 196.00, 2, Australia 210.00 3, Italy 292.25

Global Rankings: 1, K Dixon (GB) 354pts, 2, B Tait (NZ) 347pts. 3, M Todd (NZ) 330pts

HELSINKI: World Cup. Jumping events. 1, *B Libero H (J Lansink, Hol) 35.56sec, 2,* Quick Star (M Michaels, US) 36.65. 3, Spreche Rush On (L Beerbaum, Ger) 38.79. 4, Twist du Duvalon (H Godignon, Fr) 39.47. 5, Master Maddox M (H Springer, Switz) 43.20.

Standings (After 3 of 12 events) 1, H *Springer (Switz) 32pts, 2, M Michaels (US)* 28 3, P Raymakers (Hol) 24, equal 4, G Willington (GB) 23, J Lansink (Hol) 23

GOLF

MARIENSKI LAZNE: Czech open tournament: Third round scores: (GB and Ire unless stated) 237: P-U Johansson (Swe) 61, 56, 54, 66 240: K Eriksson (Swe) 59, 58, 56, 67. 241: R Claydon 56 61 57 67. F Nobilo (NZ) 54, 59, 57, 71 242: S Struver (Ger) 58, 58, 54, 72; J Haeggman (Swe) 59, 55, 60, 68; D Clarke 59, 56, 57, 70, S Torrance 54, 61, 57, 70; J Rivero (Sp) 59, 57, 56, 70 244: S Ballesteros (Sp) 62, 56, 56, 70, C O'Connor jnr 63, 56, 58, 67. E O'Connell 58, 59, 59, 68: P Eales 60, 57, 55, 72; R Allenby (Aus) 58, 54, 62, 70 B Lane 69; 55, 60; 70, A Binaghi (It) 60, 55, 60, 69. J Spence 57, 58, 60, 69 245: P Lawrie 58, 61, 58, 68; S Grappasonni (It) 58, 57, 60, 70; G Brand jnr 54, 59, 58, 74: P McGinley 60, 54, 59, 72. 246: M James 63, 58, 55, 70. P Mayo 56, 61, 60, 69, S Richardson 57, 59, 58, 72 247: G Orr 59, 61, 54, 73; M Mackenzie 57, 61, 55, 74; D Curry 58, 60, 60, 69 248: J Hawkes (SA) 59, 61, 59, 69; W Riley (Aus) 61, 60, 58, 69; S Ames (Trin) 60, *58, 58, 72, J-M Canizares (Sp) 58, 61, 59, 70;* D Hospital (Sp) 62 57 59 70, J Van de Velde (Fr) 59, 61, 59, 70. 249: M Sunesson (Swe) 59, 61, 58, 71, D Ray 59, 61, 61, 68. R Drummond 62, 56, 57, 74. A Sorensen (Den) 59, 59, 60, 71, B Langer (Ger) 59, 58, 62, 70 250: F Larsson (Swe) 60, 61, 60, 69. F Lindgren (Swe) 60, 58, 58, 74 251: A Hunter 58, 63, 58, 72, J McHenry 61, 58, 62, 70, M-A Martin (Sp) 63, 59, 59, 70, S Tinning (Den) 59, 62, 57, 73, E Darcy 60, 60, 56, 75 252: P Baker 63, 58, 59, 72. A Forsbrand (Swe) 65, 58, 57, 72, D A Russell 64, 57, 61, 70; M Mouland 60, 61, 62, 69, C Mason 61, 59, 59, 73, R Boxall 58, 63, 57, 74 253: S Lyle 61, 61, 59, 72; N Fasth (Swe) 61, 62, 59, 71. 254: A Bossert (Swi) 60, 59, 61, 74, M Pinero (Sp) 61, 62, 58, 73. P Walton 61, 61, 61, 71 255: A Murray 60, 58, 63, 74, D W Basson (SA) 61, 59, 64, 71, M Farry (Fra) 63, 59, 62, 71 256: M Lanner (Swe) 62, 58, 63, 73 257: S Bottomley 60, 61, 58, 78 258: D R Jones 60, 61, 61, 76, G Levenson (SA) 60, 61, 63, 74, A Sherborne 63, 60, 63, 72; P Hedblom (Swe) 62, 61, 64, 71; 260: M Miller 60, 63, 63, 74; 261: P Fulke (Swe) 61, 57, 63, 80 262: C Grenier (Can) 58, 63, 65, 76. J Janda (Cz) 61, 61, 65, 75. 263: M McLean 61, 58, 63, 81

LOS ANGELES: Senior tournament: Second round scores (US unless stated) 131: *J Dent 68, 63 132: D Eichelberger 70, 62* 134: B Dickson 70, 64, J Kiefer 69, 65. 135: G Shortridge 70, 65, J Colbert 68, 67. J Snead 68, 67, B Nichols 64, 71. 136: H Henning 71, 65, C C Rodriguez 70, 66; D Lotz 68, 68, K Zarley 68, 68: H Toscano 67, 69; J Powell 67, 69

137: J McGee 71, 66, D Douglass 70, 67: D Beman 70, 67, J Albus 69, 68, D Bies 69, 68, B Charles 69, 68, L Gilbert 68, 69 B Murphy 68, 69: T Shaw 68, 69, D Hendrickson 68, 69, D Weaver 67, 70: A Jacklin (GB) 65, 72. 138: C Coody 70, 68, T Weiskopf 70, 68; J Sigel 70, 68, D Stockton 68, 70. J P Cain 68, 70. 139: T Aycock 73, 66, T Aaron 71, 68, B Smith 71, 68; R Thompson 70, 69, A Geiberger 70, 69, R Floyd 69, 70, I Aoki 68, 71, J Jimenez 68, 71; T Wargo 67, 72 140: C Preste 73, 67. B Baird 72, 68, S Hobday (SA) 72, 68, B Crampton 70, 70; G Player (SA) 70, 70, G Brewer 70, 70, D January 70, 70, B Wynn *70, 70, R Bassett 69, 71, B Zimmerman 70,* 70, M Barber 69, 71, B Brue 67, 73. 141: L Mowry 77, 64, G Archer 74, 67, Bob E Smith 73, 68, K Still 72, 69, H Blancas 71, 70; O Rhyan 71, 70: W Zembriski 70, 71: T Dill 69, 72. 142: R McBee 73, 69; B Devlin 73, 69; G Gilbert 72, 70, J Brodie 73, 69; L Elder 69, 73. 144, A Kelley 71, 73, D Goetz 71, 73; B Hall 70, 74. 145: F Ruiz 74, 71

146: C Sifford 75, 71; J Powell 74, 72, B Panasik 71, 75. 148: G Littler 74, 74. 149, L Laoretti 78, 71; D Shevorski 75, 74

150: B Goalby 73, 77 152: D Finsterwald 78, 74.

LAS VEGAS: Invitational tournament: Final scores (US unless stated). 266: J Furyk 67, 64, 69, 66. 267: B Lietzke 66, 67, 68, 66; K Triplett 69, 65, 65, 68. 268: B Andrade 66, 68, 67, 67, G Boros 70, 63, 67, 68. 269: D Forsman 67, 64, 68, 70; S Elkington (Aus) 70, 67, 66, 66, S Murphy 64, 69, 67, 69; S Hoch 66, 63, 70, 70; R Gamez 66, 70, 64, 69 270: B Gleason 67, 68, 70, 65, J Gallagher 69, 70, 67, 64, J D Blake 66, 69, 66, 69. 271: D Pruitt 70, 66, 67, 68; N Lancaster 66, 69, 67, 69, P Stankowski 70, 66, 66, 69; M Heinen 66, 66, 68, 71 272: D Rummells 67, 68, 69, 68. B Burns 72, 67, 65, 68; T Armour 71, 67, 65, 69, P Mickelson 70, *66, 66, 70, M Allen 69, 70, 67, 66, B Kamm* 64, 70, 66, 72 273: M Standly 66, 68, 67, 72. D Waldorf 68, 69, 72, 64, W Wood 70, 67, 68, 68. B Tway 69, 70, 67, 67. B Ogle (Aus) 68, 69, 68, 68, B Bryant 71, 67, 67, 68, J Flannery 69, 70, 66, 69, M Bradley 67, 68, 69, 69. G Morgan 72, 67, 65, 69. R Fehr 68, 69, 67, 69, C Byrum 68, 67, 69, 69 274: K Green 70, 68, 64, 72, D Stockton 70, 66, 72, 66, H Twitty 66, 67, 73, 68, J Mudd 67, 69, 70, 68: M Brooks 68, 69, 67, 70; B Claar 66, 69, 70, 69 275: P Jordan 71, 68, 68, 68; S Rintoul (Aus) 71, 69, 68, 67; F Zoeller 71, 68, 68, 68, M Hulbert 71, 67, 69, 68. M Sullivan 68, 68, 70, 69; C Dennis 68, 67, 67, 73, F Funk 68, 69, 67, 71, B Henninger 67, 70, 68, *70, N Henke 65, 73, 68, 71, T Simpson 67,* 69, 68, 71. 276: C Stadler 71, 70, 67, 68: D Hart 65, 66, 75, 70, L Janzen 70, 65, 72, 69. 277: D Peoples 68, 70, 68, 71, D Hammond 68, 70, 71, 68: J Haas 70, 66, 70, 71

278: J C Anderson 71, 70, 66, 71. D Pride 73, 67, 68, 70: K Clearwater 66, 70, 69, 73; G *Norman* (Aus) 67, 69, 71, 71

279: J Wilson 67, 72, 70, 70; B McCallister 72, 68, 69, 70, P Stewart 70, 69, 69, 71, A Magee 68, 72, 68, 71. 280: M Wurtz 68, 73, 67, 72. 281: M Hatalsky 68, 69, 72, 72: M Wiebe 71, 67, 71, 72; W Levi 67, 71, 71, 72; D Toms 74, 66, 69, 72; D Edwards 72, 67, 70, 72, T Lehman 69, 71, 69, 72; P Jacobsen 70, 71, 68, 74 282: J McGovern 69 72, 68, 73. 283: B Chamblee 70, 69, 70, 74. F Allem 75, 65, 69, 74. L Mize 69, 67, 71, 76.

CHIBA, Japan: Men's tournament: Final scores: 274: B Watts (US) 68, 67, 67, 72 277: M Calcavecchia (US) 72, 70, 69, 66 278: R Mackay (Aus) 67, 71, 72, 68 279: N Price (Zim) 68, 71, 70, 70; N Ozaki (Japan) 71, 70, 70, 68, H Sasaki (Japan) 70, 71, 68, 70 280: S Kuwabara (Japan) 70, 68, 73, 69, T Odate (Japan) 68, 70, 72, 70: M Ozaki (Japan) 68, 71, 68, 73 281: T Sugihara (Japan) 72, 73, 66, 70

Other selected scores: 284: F Minoza (Phil) 69, 69, 74, 72 285: R Backwell (Aus) 70, 73, 74, 68, A Gilligan (Aus) 69, 75, 72, 69, W Smith (Aus) 71, 73, 70, 71, R Gibson (Can) 71, 75, 69, 70. 286: J Parnevik (Swe) 74, 72, 72, 68: G Meyer (US) 72, 73, 71, 70; D Ishii (US) 72, 73, 70, 71, C Tze-chung (Taiw) 72, 73, 70, 71. 288: C Franco (Par) 72, 73, 73, 70 289: G Kraft (US) 74, 72, 73, 70; C Warren (Aus) 75, 71, 71, 72, G Marsh (Aus) 68, 71, 74, 76

BRISBANE, Australia: Men's tournament: Final scores: 282: L Parsons (Aus) 66, 72, 75, 69. 284: M Campbell (NZ) 68, 77, 66, 73 287: M Clayton (Aus) 70, 72, 75, 70. G Joyner (Aus) 73, 69, 73, 72 288: S Robinson (Aus) 71, 73, 74, 70, R Macdonald (Aus) 76, 71, 70, 71

Other selected scores: 291: J O'Keefe (US) 68, 70, 80, 73. 293: P Teravainen (US) 71, 71, 76, 75, K Meiomins (US) 69, 75, 74, 75 301: *I Baker-Finch (Aus) 68, 72, 77, 84.*

GYMNASTICS

GUILDFORD, Surrey: Junior International: Men: 1, Great Britain 252.00pts; 2, Germany 264.05

Individuals: 1, S Pfeiffer (Ger) 53.90, K Jackson (GB) 52.75, 4, D Brindle (GB) 52.25.

Women: 1, Great Britain 178.125pts, 2, Germany 175.65

Individuals: 1, G Hoffman (Ger) 36.525, 2, N Wadhams (GB) 36.275, 3, N Lucitt (GB) *35.95, 4, S Preston (GB) 35.4.*

ICE HOCKEY

BRITISH LEAGUE: Premier division: Basingstoke 4 Sheffield 6; Bracknell 4 Edinburgh 6, Fife 4 Whitley 4; Milton Keynes 3 Durham 11; Nottingham 8 Cardiff 3; Peterborough 6 Humberside 5.

First division: Blackburn 6 Paisley 5; Chelmsford 11 Lee Val 2; Dumfries 7 Romford 5; Medway 0 Trafford 9; Slough 10 Solihull 7; Swindon 7 Teesside 4, Telford 7 Guildford 5.

JUDO

THE HAGUE: European championship: First round: Great Britain 4 France 3; Netherlands 5 Czech Republic 1: Austria 7 Bosnia-Herzegovina 0; Germany 5 Italy 1; Belgium 3 Poland 2. Byes: Belarus, Slovenia, Turkey. Quarter-finals: Great Britain 3 Netherlands 3 (GB won on points 30-27). Belarus 4 Austria 3, Germany 7 Slovenia 0, Belgium 4 Turkey 3 Semi-finals: Belarus 3 Great Britain 3 (Belarus won on pts 25-15). Germany 4 Belgium 2. Final: Germany 6 Belarus 1.

LACROSSE

MEN'S NORTH OF ENGLAND LEAGUE: First division: Timperley 11 Mellor 7. Heaton Mersey 16 Old Waconians 8; Stockport 11 Boardman and Eccles 8.

MOTSPUR PARK: Women's South clubs and Colleges tournament: Semi-finals: Guildford 1 Centaurs 2; W London 0 Putney 1 Final: Centaurs 4 Putney 1.

MANCHESTER: Women's North clubs and Colleges tournament: Final: Liverpool 3 Chester 2.

RUGBY LEAGUE

John Smith's International

Great Britain	8	Australia	4

Great Britain: Try: Davies. Goals: Davies, Goulding. Australia: Try: Renouf. Att: 57,034.

SNOOKER

DERBY: Grand prix tournament: Semi-finals: J Higgins (Scot) bt J Swail (N Ire) 9-5; D Harold (Eng) bt A Hicks (Eng) 9-8.

SHINTY

GLENMORANGIE QUALIFYING CUP: Preliminary Round: Edinburgh Univ 2 Glasgow Univ 4; Kintyre 0 Bute 6, Taynuilt 1 St Andrew's Univ 0.

*Marine Harvest League: North first di*vision: Lochaber 1 Kingussie 6, Lovat 2 Fort William 3; Newtonmore 2 Glenurquhart 1, Skye 5 Beauly 0.

Third division: Aberdeen Univ 0 Beauly 4; Kingussie 3 Boleskine 0; Lovat 1 Glenurquhart 1

South first division: Glenorchy 2 Ballachulish 1; Inveraray 2 Glasgow MA 3; Kyles Ath 2 Oban Celtic 0; Oban Camanachd 13 Strachur 1.

Third division: Ballachulish 3 Kyles Ath 3; Glasgow MA 3 Inveraray 0; Oban Celtic 3 Furnace 1; Strachur 2 Lochside Rov 1.

SHOOTING

BISLEY: Teams of 5 (300 & 600 Yds): 1, Sth London RC 470 47pts, 2, Nth London RC 467.42

SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: First division. King's Lynn 47 Poole 49.

LINLITHGOW: Scottish riders championship: 1, S Lamb (Edinburgh) 15; 2, J Grieves (Glasgow) 14, 3, S McDonald (Glasgow) 12; 4, K Little (Edinburgh) 11.

SQUASH

LEE-ON-SOLENT: National women's team championship: Corringham 4 Richmond T 1; Corringham 3 Lee-on Solent 2.

TENNIS

LYONS: Men's indoor tournament: Semi-finals: J Courier (US) bt A Chesnokov (Rus) 6-3, 6-4; M Rosset (Switz) bt A Medvedev (Ukr) 6-2, 6-2.

Final: Rosset bt Courier 6-4, 7-6.

BEIJING: Men's tournament: Semi-finals: M Chang (US) bt B Steven (NZ) 7-5, 6-3, A Jarryd (Swe) bt D Adams (SA) 7-6, 7-6. Final: Chang bt Jarryd 7-5, 7-5.

VIENNA: Men's trophy tournament: Semi-finals: M Stich (Ger) bt T Muster (Austria) 6-3, 6-3; A Agassi (US) bt G Ivanisevic (Croat) 6-4, 6-4.

Final: Agassi bt Stich 7-6, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3

HONG KONG: Exhibition tournament: Semi-finals: R Krajicek (Hol) bt P Sampras (US) 6-3, 1-6, 6-4; S Edberg (Swe) bt T Martin (US) 6-3, 3-6, 6-4.

Final: S Edberg (Swe) bt R Krajicek (Hol) 6-3, 7-6, 6-3.

SHEFFIELD: LTA autumn satellite: Men: Final: R Wassen (Hol) bt P Hand (GB) 6-2, 3-6, 6-3

BRIGHTON: International women's indoor tournament: Semi-finals: J Novotna (Cz) bt J Halard (Fr) 6-3, 7-5; H Sukova (Cz) bt L Neiland (Lat) 6-4, 0-6, 7-5 Final: *Novotna bt Sukova 6-7, 6-3, 6-4.*

WIMBLEDON: Women's tournament: Semi-finals: A Simpkin (Leics) bt C Hunt (Dorset) 6-4 7-5; C Taylor (Oxon) bt S Bentley (Surrey) 6-3 6-1.

Final: Taylor bt Simpkin 6-3, 6-1.

B Singles Final: I Wyatt (Oxon) bt J Duncan (North of Scotland) 6-4, 3-6, 7-5

BASINGSTOKE: LTA Autumn satellite masters: Men: First round: L Milligan (GB) bt J Delgado (GB) 7-5, 6-2; P Morel (Fr) bt L Kirschner (Ger) 6-4, 6-3; A Pretzsch (Ger) bt M Maclagan (GB) 6-4, 5-7, 6-2; T Spinks (GB) bt D Draper (GB) 6-1, 6-0; A Richardson (GB) bt G Oresic (Croatia) 6-2, 6-2; J Fox (GB) bt G Saffery (GB) 6-4, 6-2, N Gould (GB) bt J Davidson (GB) 6-2, 6-1, N Weal (GB) bt N Begin (GB) 2-6, 6-4, 7-5.

VOLLEYBALL

BRAZIL: Women's world championship: Group A: Brazil bt Germany 3-0 (15-5, 15-7, 15-5); S Korea bt Romania 3-0 (15-1, 15-3, 15-7), Group B (at Sao Paulo): Cuba bt Holland 3-0 (15-4, 15-9, 15-10), Azerbaijan bt Peru 3-0 (15-12, 15-13, 15-8) Group C, China bt Russia 3-0 (15-13, 15-12, 15-3); Ukraine bt Italy 3-2 (15-4, 5-15, 4-15, 15-6, 15-12). Group D: United States bt Czech Republic 3-0 (15-1, 15-1, 15-1), Japan bt Kenya 3-0 (15-1, 15-3, 15-4).

SCOTTISH LEAGUE: Men: First division: Dundee 2 BA Glazing 3 (13-15, 8-15, 15-11, 15-13, 10-15); Team Fife 0 Kilmarnock 3 (6-15, 4-15, 12-15). Women: First division: Team Blantyre 0 Grangeburn Coaches 3 (7-15, 15-17, 5-15); Pentland NUVOC 0 Hazlehead 3 (13-15, 13-15, 5-15); Whitburn 0 News Ayrshire Kyle 3 (4-15, 3-15, 1-15). Paisley Pacers 1 MCA Powerhouse Cardinals 3 (2-15, 6-15, 15-12, 5-15).

YACHTING

BOC CHALLENGE: First leg (Cape Town): Class 1: 1, Ecureuil Poitou-Charente 2 (I Autissier, Fr) 35days 8hr 52min

Leading positions: (at 08 00GMT yesterday, with miles to Cape Town). 2, Hunter's Child (S Pettengill, US) 1,042, 3, Vendée Enterprises (J van den Heede, Fr) 1,467; 4, Ben Vio (J Provoyeur, SA) 1,493, 5, Scota Calberson (C Auguin, Fr) 1,590, 6, Coyote (D Scully, US) 1,684, 7, Thursday's Child (A Taylor, US) 2,690. Class 2: 1, Kodak (G Soldini, It) 1,457; 2, True Blue (D Adams, Aus) 1,463; 3, Newcastle Australia (A Nebauer, Aus) 2,247; 4, Jimroda II (N Vaughan, GB) 2,284; 5, Sky Catcher (N Rowe, GB) 2,719; 6, Cornwall (R Dave, GB) 3,265; 7, Town Of Cervia (S Bianchetti, It) 3,273; 8, Shuten-Dohji II (M Saito, Japan) 3,306; 9, Protect Our Sealife (N Peterson, SA) 3,378, 10, Henry Hornblower (H Mitchell, GB) 3,397, 11, Cardiac 88 (F Romack, US) 4,238

RACING

DONCASTER

Going: good to soft

1.40 (1m 2f 60yd) 1, Bescaby Boy (K Darley, 13-2). 2, Kalou (10-1) 3, Sunday News'n'echo (7-1) Top Shot 3-1 fav 21 ran NR Inovar 1l 5l J Wharton Tote £6.80, £2.00, £3.80, £2.50 DF £46.80 CSF £68.82

2.10 (7f) 1, Mur Taasha (W Carson, 5-1 jt-fav). 2, Beggarman Thief (11-2), 3, Storiths (5-1 jt-fav), Monlendric 5-1 jt-fav. 9 ran. 2½l, 1½l R Armstrong. Tote £5.50, £1.90, £2.00, £1.80. DF £11.70 CSF £29.45.

2.40 (5f) 1, Inherent Magic (B Thomson, 4-1 fav). 2, Lord High Admiral (12-1). 3, Gorinsky (8-1) 10 ran Nk, 1½l, M McCormack Tote £5.10; £1.70, £4.00, £2.80 DF, £34.40 Trio £127.90 CSF £45.08, Tricast £332.52

3.10 (7f) 1, Fame Again (J Carroll, 12-1): 2, Kemo Sabo (10-1); 3, Poignard (7-1). 4, Qualitair Pride (20-1) Time Of Trouble 6-1 fav. 16 ran. NR Emirates Express 1¾l, 4l. Mrs J Ramsden Tote £21.60, £4.70, £3.40, £1.80, £10.40 DF £76.70 Trio £238.20 CSF £118.38, Tricast £835.07

3.40 (1m) 1, Celtic Swing (K Darley, Evens fav). 2, Annus Mirabilis (4-1), 3, Juyush (13-2). 8 ran. NR: Indian Light. 12l, 1½l, Lady Herries Tote £1.80; £1.20, £1.30, £1.70 DF £2.70. CSF £4.93 Trio £8.50

4.15 (6f) 1, Painted Madam (B Thomson, 2-1 fav. Thunderer's nap and Private Handicapper's top rating). 2, Bahith (6-1), 3, Leap For Joy (13-2). 8 ran 2¼l, 1½l B Hills Tote £2.70; £1.10, £2.00, £1.40 DF £8.40 CSF £13.49

4.45 (1m 4f) 1, Penny A Day (K Darley, 9-2 fav), 2, Bit On The Side (6-1), 3, Proton (7-1). 12 ran NR: La Riveraine 1¼l, 6l Mrs M Reveley Tote £4.60; £2.00, £2.30, £2.00 DF £16.40 Trio £42.30 CSF £30.57, Tricast, £174.02

Jackpot: £26,479.90.

Placepot: £122.10. Quadpot: £10.20.

NEWBURY

1.20 1, Second Chance (25-1), 2, Sherman *(9-2), 3, Magic Junction (4-1 fav) 10 ran.*

1.50 1, Circa (33-1), 2, Hiwaya (11-4 fav), 3, Dashing Water (13-2) 9 ran NR Caramba, Far Fetched

2.20 1, Persian Brave (7-1); 2, Strategic Choice (7-2), 3, Duke Of Eurolink (16-1) Sadler's Image 11-4 fav 9 ran NR Dana Springs

3.00 1, Major Bugler (20-1), 2, Warm Spell (11-4 fav); 3, Shadow Leader (10-1), 15 ran NR Diskette

3.30 1, Wardara (10-1) 2, Gone Professional (16-1), 3, Sue Me (10-1), 4, Make Time (2-1 fav) 16 ran NR, Gallows Corner, Maybe Today.

4.05 1, Spectrum (8-11 fav); 2, La Contessa (10-1), 3, Axaman (9-2) 5 ran NR Mezaan, Silver Sting.

4.35 1, Rowlandsons Rocks (12-1), 2, Apollono (10-1), 3, Hi-Aud (14-1), 4, Lees Please (5-1), Romios 9-2 fav 17 ran, NR, Dominion's Dream, Noble Neptune, Rupiana, Suile Mor, Tafahhus

HUNTINGDON

1.45 1, Jura (11-4 fav), 2, Edirepus (6-1), 3, Desert Challenger (25-1) 11 ran NR Intention, Red Whirlwind.

2.15 1, Simwell (12-1), 2, Mobile Messenger (11-2); 3, Fiddlers Glen (6-1), Prince Of Salerno 4-5 fav. 7 ran.

2.45 1, Barford Lad (9-4 fav); 2, Forgetful (5-2), 3, Bigwheel Bill (6-1) 8 ran. NR Rarfy's Dream

3.15 1, Real Progress (9-4 fav), 2, Eastshaw (10-1), 3, Lapaffle (100-30) 8 ran

3.45 1, Stay Awake (15-8 fav), 2, Mine's An Ace (7-2); 3, Terrible Gel (9-1) 7 ran

4.15 1, Cuchullains Gold (9-4 jt-fav); 2, Mountain Reach (4-1); 3, Certain Angle (9-4 jt-fav) 10 ran

4.45 1, Sherwood Boy (Evens fav); 2, Call The Guv'nor (11-2), 3, Dawn Flight (12-1) 11 ran NR: Circus Colours

WORCESTER

2.05 1, Society Guest (11-2), 2, Glemot (11-8 fav), 3, Sillan (12-1), 6 ran, NR: Startap.

2.35 1, Strike-A-Pose (14-1), 2, Solo Charter (6-1), 3, Ijab (7-2 jt-fav) 14 ran, NR, Muhlashim

3.05 1, Bay Mischief (9-2 fav), 2, Glenfinn Princess (14-1); 3, Four Hearts (25-1) 17 ran, NR: Forest Feather

3.40 1, Imad (12-1); 2, Lie Detector (6-4 jt-fav), 3, Errant Knight (6-4 jt-fav) 15 ran

4.25 1, Seven Of Diamonds (6-1): 2, Andermatt (7-1), 3, Castle Diamond (6-1) Staunch Rival 5-2 fav 7 ran

5.00 1, Karar (5-4 fav); 2, Percy Thrower (8-1); 3, Rootsman (12-1) 12 ran NR Fencing Master, Ross Graham

5.30 1, The Caumrue (4-1); 2, Ambassador Royale (7-1), 3, Major Bush (12-1) Wamdha 7-2 fav 11 ran NR Hostile Act, Musical Trend, Northern Nation

SCHOOLS SPORT



St Joseph's School build another attack in their match with Arnold School in the National Schools' Under-18 Festival. Photograph: Alban Donohoe

RUGBY UNION

St Joseph's College/Willis Corroon National Schools' Under-18 Festival

First stage

Group one

Millfield 5 RHS 3
Lancaster 5 High Wycombe 3
Millfield 15 High Wycombe 7
Lancaster 3 Millfield 24
Lancaster 10 RHS 0
High Wycombe 28 RHS 0

Group two

Arnold 7 St Joseph's 0
Arnold 13 Dollar 0
Abingdon 3 Arnold 0
Abingdon 7 St Joseph's 12
Dollar 3 St Joseph's 17
Abingdon 17 Dollar 0

Group three

Campion 15 Sedbergh 3
Campion 54 Coopers' 0
Blundell's 0 Campion 10
Blundell's 15 Coopers' 0
Blundell's 15 Sedbergh 3
Coopers' 0 Sedbergh 28

Group three

Bradford 15 Felsted 3
Bedford 0 Colston's 15
Bedford 19 Felsted 5
Bradford 0 Colston's 10
Bedford 0 Bradford 29
Colston's 22 Felsted 0.

Second stage

Group A

Millfield 13 Bradford 3
St Joseph's 3 Blundells 3
Millfield 8 Blundells 0
St Joseph's 0 Bradford 18
Millfield 3 St Joseph's 0
Blundells 0 Bradford 12

Group B

Campion 17 Abingdon 0
Colstons 17 Lancaster 6
Campion 7 Lancaster 0
Colstons 15 Abingdon 6
Campion 0 Colstons 21
Lancaster 13 Abingdon 15

Group W

High Wycombe 8 Felsted 7
Arnold 14 Felsted 11
High Wycombe 0 Arnold 10

Group X

Sedbergh 12 Dollar 7
Belford 19 RHS 0
Sedbergh 0 RHS 0
Bedford 7 Dollar 0
Sedbergh 13 Bedford 15
RHS 10 Dollar 15

Plate

Arnold 15 Bedford 7

Final (De la Salle Cup)

Millfield 0 Colstons 3 (aet)

Man of tournament: M Pitt (Campion)

Other matches

Abbotsholme 27 St Joseph's 7
Brentwood 14 King's, Worcester 23
Epsom 9 St John's, Leatherhead 0
Hampton 20 Gordonstoun 16
Harrow 3 Tonbridge 9
Llandovery 11 Christ's, Brecon 7
RGS Worcester 11
King Edward's, Camp Hill 3
St George's, Weybridge 7 Wimbledon 37
Whitgift 16 John Fisher 14
William Hulme 34 King Edward's, Lytham 3

FOOTBALL

English Schools Trophy: Second round
East Riding 2 Nottingham 1

Replays

East Berkshire 1 Gosport and Fareham 2
Wolverhampton 4 Coventry 3

English International Under-15 Trial
North of England 2 Yorkshire 1

Essex Cup: Under-15
Sussex 4 Middlesex 2

London Cup: Under-15
Sussex 2 Middlesex 3

Essex Smeethers Trophy: Under-16
Basildon 5 South East Essex 1
Havering 2 Waltham Forest 3

London Pear Trophy
Luton 1 Islington 4

Arsenal Trophy
South London 2 Blackheath 3

Northern Merit
Salford 1 Chester 1

Merseyside Trophy
St Helens 1 Halton 2

Woodward Cup: Under-14
Thameside 0 Chester 1
Pendle 0 Bury 3

Manchester Cup: Under-15
Rochdale 4 Wigan 1
Thameside 1 Oldham 0
Burt 1 Bolton 0

YACHTING

Pringle twiname regional junior team finals

405 Class: 1, Richardson and Pickles (East Midlands) 3pts Mirror class: 1, Hamilton and Harrison (North West) 6.5pts. Cadets: 1, Fish and Sudell (Eastern region) 5.25pts Optimist: 1, Vials (North East) 10.75pts Topper class: 1, D Walker (South West) 4.25pts. Aloha class: 1, N Deverell (Thames) 6.5pts. 103 class: 1, G Rogers (Wales) 4.25pts Junior OD class: 1, D Jones (North West) 3.5pts Team Result: 1, North West 182.5pts, 2, Southern 205.75: 3, Wales 215.25

CRICKET

Second Test

Zimbabwe v Sri Lanka

ZIMBABWE (fourth day of five): Sri Lanka have scored 218 and 30 runs with eight second-innings wickets in hand.

ZIMBABWE: First innings

G W Flower c Dasanayake b Wickramasinghe ... 1
M H Dekker c Mahanama b Dharmasena 0
A D R Campbell st Dasanayake b Muralitharan ... 18
D L Houghton lbw b Vaas ... 266
*A Flower c Muralitharan b Dharmasena ... 50
G J Whittal c Tillekeratne b Wickremasinghe ... 12
†W R James c Dassanayake b Vaas ... 33
H H Streak c Dharmasena b Vaas ... 0
J A Rennie not out ... 19
S G Peall b Vaas ... 30
Extras (lb 11, b 5, nb 15, w 2) ... 33
Total (9 wkts dec) ... 462

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-3, 2-5, 3-65, 4-186, 5-223, 6-323, 7-335, 8-459, 9-462.

BOWLING: Wickremasinghe 39-7-125-2; Vaas 44.3-14-85-4; Dharmasena 45-11-109-2; Muralitharan 55-21-108-1; De Silva 1-0-1-0; Gurusinha 4-0-15-0

SRI LANKA: First innings

R S Mahanama c James b Streak ... 1
A P Gurusinha c Dekker b Peall ... 63
S Ranatunga c James b Jarvis ... 4
P A de Silva c James b Streak ... 0
*A Ranatunga c James b Jarvis ... 34
H Tillekeratne c Dekker b Jarvis ... 1
†P B Dasanayake c James b Streak ... 8
K Dharmasena run out ... 54
U C J Vaas c Dekker b Whittal ... 14
G P Wickremasinghe b Whittal ... 7
M Muralitharan not out ... 15
Extras (lb 4, nb 12 w 1) ... 17
Total (126.1 overs) ... 218

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-22, 3-23, 4-77, 5-79, 6-91, 7-142, 8-171, 9-193.

BOWLING: Streak 26-10-68-3; Jarvis 34-22-30-3; Rennie 29-10-46-0; Peall 17-7-35-1, Whittal 17.1-6-35-2, G Flower 1-1-0-0.

Second innings

R S Mahanama c A Flower b Streak ... 4
A P Gurusinha c James b Jarvis ... 10
S Ranatunga not out ... 13
K Dharmasena not out ... 0
Extras (nb 3) ... 3
Total (2 wkts, 15 overs) ... 30

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-30

BOWLING. Streak 3-1-5-1, Rennie 5-1-14-0 (nb 2), Whittal 2-1-2-0 (nb 2), Jarvis 3-1-4-1, Peall 2-0-5-0.

One-day international

India v West Indies

MADRAS (India won toss) India beat West Indies by four wickets

WEST INDIES

P V Simmons b Srinath ... 2
S C Williams c Mongia b Prasad ... 39
B C Lara lbw b Tendulkar ... 74
C L Hooper c and b Kumble ... 58
†J C Adams c and b Tendulkar ... 0
S L Campbell st Mongia b Tendulkar ... 3
S Chanderpaul b Prabhakar ... 19
A C Cummins run out ... 16
K C Benjamin b Prasad ... 2
*C A Walsh not out ... 0
B Browne run out ... 0
Extras (lb 7, w 1) ... 8
Total (49.2 overs) ... 221

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-29, 2-64, 3-178, 4-178, 5-178, 6-202, 7-204, 8-209, 9-221.

BOWLING: Prabhakar 8-0-37-1, Srinath 7-0-24-1; Prasad 8.2-0-38-2; Chauhan 6-0-46-0; Kumble 10-1-36-1, Tendulkar 10-0-33-3

INDIA

M Prabhakar lbw b Walsh ... 36
N S Sidhu c Lara b Walsh ... 3
S R Tendulkar c Hooper b Cummins ... 8
*M A Azharuddin c Walsh b Cummins 81
V G Kambli c Hooper b Benjamin ... 22
A D Jadeja c Campbell b Benjamin ... 21
†N R Mongia not out ... 24
A Kumble not out ... 9
Extras (lb5, w9, nb5) ... 19
Total (6 wkts, 48.2 overs) ... 225

J Srinath, R K Chauhan and V Prasad.

FALL OF WICKETS. 1-17, 2-42, 3-80, 4-136, 5-178, 6-195.

BOWLING: Walsh 10-1-31-2, Benjamin 10-0-42-2, Cummins 9.2-0-48-2, Browne 8-0-38-0, Simmons 6-0-29-0, Hooper 5-0-32-0

Man of the match: Mohammad Azharuddin.

One-day international

Pakistan v Australia

RAWALPINDI (Pakistan won toss): Pakistan beat Australia by nine wickets

AUSTRALIA

M J Slater b Aqib ... 4
*M A Taylor c Raza b Aqib ... 14
M E Waugh not out ... 121
J L Langer c Anwar b Wasim ... 27
S R Waugh lbw b Salim ... 14
M G Bevan b Waqar ... 22
†I A Healy run out ... 16
S K Warne not out ... 11
Extras: (b 1, lb 13, nb 2, w 5) ... 21
Total: (6 wkts) ... 250

C McDermott, G McGrath and T May did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14, 2-50, 3-114, 4-140, 5-206, 6-234.

BOWLING: Wasim Akram 10-0-47-1, Aqib Javed 10-0-44-2; Waqar Younis 10-0-50-1; Aamir Sohail 5-0-25-0; Akram Raza 10-0-36-0; Salim Malik 4-0-34-1.

PAKISTAN

Saeed Anwar not out ... 104
Aamir Sohail c Bevan b May ... 45
Inzamam-ul-Haq not out ... 91
Extras (b 3, lb 4, nb 2, w 2) ... 11
Total (1 wkt, 39 overs) ... 251

*Salim Malik, Ijaz Ahmed, Basit Ali, Wasim Akram, Waqar Younis, Aqib Javed, Akram Raza and †Rashid Latif did not bat.

FALL OF WICKET: 1-91.

BOWLING: McDermott 8-1-54-0, McGrath 6-1-37-0; May 9-0-65-1; Warne 9-1-47-0, S Waugh 5-0-28-0; M Waugh 2-0-15-0

	P	W	L	Pts
Pakistan	4	3	1	6
Australia	4	3	1	6
South Africa	4	0	4	0

ADELAIDE: Sheffield Shield (final day of four): South Australia 390-9 dec and 148-3 (P Nobes 63); Tasmania 389 and 262 (D Hills 73, S Young 71; P McIntyre 4-62, M Minagall 4-111). Match drawn

RUGBY UNION

Tour match

Cardiff	6	South Africa	11

Cardiff: Pens: Davies, John. South Africa: Try: Van Der Westhuizen. Pens: Stransky 2.

Courage Clubs Championship

First division

Bath	20	Leicester	20

Bath: Tries: Catt, Swift. Cons: Callard 2 Pens: Callard 2. Leicester: Try: Hamilton. Pens: Harris 5.

Bristol	24	Wasps	25

Bristol: Tries: Patten, Williams Con: Tainton. Pens: Tainton 4. Wasps: Tries: penalty try, Pilgrim, Ufton. Cons: Andrew 2. Pens: Andrew 2.

Harlequins	6	Orrell	8

Harlequins: Pens: Greenwood 2. Orrell: Try: Morris. Pen: Langford.

Northampton	9	Gloucester	6

Northampton: Pens: Grayson 3. Gloucester: Pens: Mapletoft 2.

Sale	22	W Hartlepool	7

Sale: Tries: Verbickas, Vyvyan, Warr. Cons: Turner 2. Pen: Turner. West Hartlepool: Try: Simpson. Con: Oliphant.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Leicester	7	6	1	0	156	88	13
Bath	7	6	1	0	149	95	13
Wasps	7	4	0	3	221	135	8
Bristol	7	4	0	3	151	122	8
Orrell	7	4	0	3	84	110	8
Sale	7	3	0	4	161	155	6
Harlequins	7	3	0	4	122	169	6
Gloucester	7	2	0	5	111	130	4
Northampton	7	1	0	6	87	161	2
W Hartlepool	7	1	0	6	100	177	2

LEADING SCORERS: 91: R Andrew (Wasps; 2 tries, 12 conversions, 16 penalty goals, 3 dropped goals); M Tainton (Bristol, 5c, 27pg). 77: P Grayson (Northampton: 1t, 3c, 21pg, 1dg); J Harris (Leicester, 4c, 21pg, 2dg). 55: M Mapletoft (Gloucester; 1t, 7c, 12pg). 54: J Callard (Bath; 6c, 14pg). *52: K Oliphant (West Hartlepool; 5c, 14pg).* 51: P Turner (Sale; 12c, 7pg, 2dg). 45: P Challinor (Harlequins; 1t, 2c, 11pg, 1dg). 35: S Langford (Orrell; 1c, 11pg). 34: J Liley (Leicester, 2t, 3c, 6pg)

Second division

Coventry	17	Fylde	21

Coventry: Try: Douglas. Pens: Angell 4. Fylde: Tries: Anderton, Hanavan. Con: Parker. Pens: Parker 2. Dropped goal: Barclay.

Moseley	9	Waterloo	25

Moseley: Pens: Hodgkinson 3. Waterloo: *Tries:* Bibby, Craig, Wright. Cons: Swindells 2. Pens: Swindells 2.

Newcastle G	11	Saracens	17

Newcastle Gosforth: Try: Hetherington. Pens: S Mason 2. Saracens: Try: Green. Pen: Tunningley 4.

Nottingham	23	L Scottish	8

Nottingham: Tries: A Penalty, Stent. Cons: Stent 2. Pens: Stent 3. London Scottish: Try: Watson. Pen: Walker.

Wakefield	25	L Irish	3

Wakefield: Try: Garnett. Con: Jackson. Pens: Jackson 6. London Irish: Pen: Corcoran.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Saracens	7	6	0	1	133	80	12
Waterloo	7	6	0	1	137	98	12
Newcastle G	7	4	0	3	169	93	8
Wakefield	7	3	0	4	129	121	6
L Irish	7	3	0	4	169	162	6
L Scottish	7	3	0	4	134	138	6
Nottingham	7	3	0	4	116	136	6
Moseley	7	3	0	4	112	164	6
Fylde	7	2	0	5	109	164	4
Coventry	7	2	0	5	98	160	4

LEADING SCORERS: 91: M Corcoran (London Irish; 2 tries, 9 conversions, 21 penalty goals). 84: S Mason (Newcastle *Gosforth; 1t, 11c, 19pg). 81: M Jackson* (Wakefield; 6c, 23pg). 73: S Hodgkinson (Moseley; 5c, 20pg, 1 dropped goal). 71: A Tunningley (Saracens; 1t, 6c, 18pg). 67: S Swindells (Waterloo; 5c, 19pg). 62: M Gallagher (Nottingham; 4c, 18pg). 57: R Angell (Coventry; 3c, 18pg, 1dg). 55: A Parker (Fylde; 5c, 15pg). 48: M Walker (London Scottish; 3t, 3c, 8pg, 1dg).

Third division

Bedford	12	Blackheath	3
Clifton	12	Rosslyn Pk	21
Otley	16	Exeter	3
Richmond	17	Morley	38
Rugby	12	Harrogate	13

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bedford	6	5	0	1	132	68	10
Harrogate	6	5	0	1	93	73	10
Rugby	6	4	0	2	113	76	8
Otley	6	4	0	2	99	66	8
Blackheath	6	4	0	2	89	60	8
Clifton	6	3	0	3	87	91	6
Rosslyn Pk	6	3	0	3	87	93	6
Exeter	6	1	0	5	56	83	2
Morley	6	1	0	5	72	161	2
Richmond	6	0	0	6	75	130	0

LEADING SCORERS: 77: A Finnie (Bedford, 7 conversions, 20 penalty goals, 1 dropped goal). 61: P Rutledge (Otley; 2 tries, 6c, 13pg). 51: S Howard (Blackheath; 3c, 14pg, 1dg). 50: D Clappison (Harrogate; 4c, 12pg, 2dg). 47: S Hogg (Clifton; 4c, 9pg, 4dg). 38: J Grayshon (Morley; 3c, 9pg, 1dg). 34: J Quantrill (Rugby, 5c, 8pg). 33: J Hoad (Richmond; 11pg) 29: A Parton (Rosslyn Park; 1t, 3c, 6pg) 26: D Evans (Rugby; 1c, 8pg). 24: I Stewart (Exeter; 1t, 2c, 3pg, 2dg).

Fourth division

Aspatria	15	Liverpool SH	6
Broughton Pk	14	Reading	21
Havant	32	Rotherham	29
Leeds	35	Askeans	7
Redruth	25	Plymouth	14

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Reading	6	6	0	0	135	97	12
Rotherham	6	5	0	1	216	92	10
Havant	6	5	0	1	127	89	10
Liverpool SH	6	4	1	1	115	51	9
Broughton Pk	6	3	0	3	94	101	6
Redruth	6	2	1	3	111	119	5
Leeds	6	2	0	4	100	114	4
Plymouth	6	1	0	5	101	129	2
Aspatria	6	1	0	5	64	148	2
Askeans	6	0	0	6	45	168	0

Fifth division north

Barkers Butts	3	Stourbridge	12
Lichfield	13	Nuneaton	15
Preston G	18	Stoke	13
Sheffield	28	Birmingham	5
Walsall	40	Hereford	6
Wharfedale	41	Kendal	8

Fifth division south

Barking	0	Weston-s-Mare	12
Berry Hill	14	Camborne	13
L Welsh	23	Basingstoke	8
Lydney	21	H Wycombe	7
Met Police	11	Henley	16
Sudbury	16	N Walsham	24

Heineken League

First division

Newbridge	3	Llanelli	29

Newbridge: Pen: Withers. Llanelli: Tries: Moon 2, Boobyer, I Jones, Stephens. Cons: Stephens 2.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Swansea	7	5	0	2	178	125	10
Cardiff	6	5	0	1	158	75	10
Bridgend	8	4	1	3	181	203	9
Llanelli	7	4	0	3	139	140	8
Neath	7	3	2	2	113	133	8
Pontypool	6	3	0	3	120	124	6
Pontypridd	5	3	0	2	83	63	6
Dunvant	6	2	1	3	103	108	5
Treorchy	6	2	0	4	140	94	4
Newbridge	6	2	0	4	70	106	4
Newport	6	2	0	4	78	136	4
Abertillery	6	1	0	5	114	170	2

THIRD DIVISION: Blaina 14 Mountain Ash 10; Builth Wells 12 Aberavon Quins 0, Caerphilly 13 Tondu 3, Pontypool United 10 Kenfig Hill 13; Ystradgynlais 10 Glamorgan Wanderers 9; Blackwood 17 Tredegar 3 Fourth division: Glynneath 3 Cardiff Institute 6; Oakdale 14 Whitland 17, Pyle 33 Llantrisant 11; St Peter's 12 Carmarthen Quins 23, Tumble 13 Rhymney 20; Vardre United 11 Kidwelly 7.

SWALEC CUP

Second round: Nantymoel 10 Seven Sisters 38; Llandaff 11 Abercrave 21, Ystalyfera 15 Cefneithin 12; Lampeter 6 St Josephs (Port Talbot) 5, Cardiff Univ 9 Aberaman 31; Aberavon GS 20 Denbigh 10, Cardiff Quins 3 Old Illtydians 16, Merthyr 14 Rumney 13; Pontyclun 0 Llantwit Fardre 32; Glyncoch 12 Porthcawl 6, Chepstow 0 Hartridge HS OB 10, Treherbert 23 Pontyberem 11, Rtb (Ebbw Vale) 8 Ynysybwl 10; Ruthin 27 Bynea 20, Mold 22 Wrexham 6; Pencoed 7 Neath Athletic 15; Barry 13 Brynmawr 24; Rhyl and District 29 Trimant 6; Old Penarthians 35 Llantwit Major 8; Dolgellau 0 Morriston 10: Pontyates 0 Tylorstown 20, Milford Haven 3 Pontycymmer 22, Cwmllynfell 37 Gilfach Goch 11, Machen 5 Amman United 6, Tonyrefail 40 Penclawdd 12, Laugharne 0 Ammanford 26, Llanybydder 15 Pentyrch 17; Rhydyfelin 20 Croesyceiliog 23, Bridgend Athletic 9 Gamdiffaith 15; Birchgrove 8 Abergavenny 10; Wattstown 17 Penygroes 5; Colwyn Bay 13 Fleur de Lys 19; Lampeter College 3 Risca 24, Aberystwyth 13 Skewen 3, Pwllheli 41 *Blaenavon 12; Cwmavon 5 Trebanos 12,* Tredegar Ironsides 17 Brynamman 10, Penygraig 74 Gorseinon 3; Resolven 22 Cowbridge 16; Nelson 24 Newport Saracens 3; Llangwm 5 Ystrad Rhondda 19; Pill Harriers 22 Caldicot 14, Newport HS OB 18 Hendy 27; Llandeilo 31 Loughor 14; Bargoed 24 Blaenau Gwent 3; St Josephs (Cardiff) 0 Llandybie 19; Tycroes 3 Neyland 17; Abercarn 27 Pembroke 10; New Dock Stars 51 Brecon 0; Tonmawr 15 Cefn Coed 9; Hirwaun 11 Rhwbina 0. Postponed: Mumbles v Cardigan.

Representative matches

Connacht 26 Scottish North and Midlands 28: Connacht: Tries: Henshaw, Ieddan. Cons: Carey, O'Carolan. Pens: Carey 2, O'Carolan 2. Scottish North and Midlands: Tries: Cousin 2, Burns Cons: Newton 2. Pens: Newton 3.

Glasgow District 19 Leinster 19: Glasgow District: Try: Jardine. Con: Breckenridge. Pens: Breckenridge 3. Dropped goal: Breckenridge. Leinster: Try: Potts. Con: Barry. Pens: Barry 4.

Munster 16 Edinburgh District 13: *Munster:* Try: O'Shea. Con: Smith Pens: Smith 3. Edinburgh District: Try: Dall. Con: Donaldson. Pen: Donaldson. Dropped goal: Donaldson.

South of Scotland 20 Ulster 19: South of Scotland: Tries: Nichol, Redpath, Suddon. Con: Aitchison. Pen: Aitchison. Ulster: Try: Smyth. Con: McAleese. Pens: McAleese 4.

CLUB MATCHES: Ayr 13 Boroughmuir 38, Cambridge University 22 Dublin University 17; Clarkston 28 Musselburgh 26. Cross Keys 13 Newport 13; Dungannon 21 University College Dublin 25; Glasgow High Kelvinside 66 Instonians 6; Gala 38 Selkirk 5; Glasgow Academicals 31 Kilmarnock 16; Gordonians 30 Glenrothes 10; Grangemouth 9 West of Scotland 37; Haddington 22 Stewartry 5; Llanharan 17 Pontypool 56; Pontypridd 38 Aberavon 14; Preston Lodge 45 Hillhead-Jordanhill 10; Swansea 52 Maesteg 0; Watsonians 10 Aspen 21, Dundee HSFP 17 Peebles 14; Dunvant 33 Abercynon 15; Usk 17 Ebbw Vale 15

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HOCKEY

MEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE

First division, Hull 2 Canterbury 1, Indian Gymkhana 1 Surbiton 2, Trojans 0 Bournville 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Surbiton	6	5	1	0	15	6	16
O Loughtonians	5	4	1	0	14	6	13
Teddington	5	4	0	1	17	9	12
Cannock	4	3	1	0	13	4	10
Indian Gym	6	3	1	2	10	6	10
East Grinstead	6	3	1	2	13	10	10
Reading	5	3	0	2	10	8	9
Southgate	5	2	2	1	16	10	8
Hounslow	5	2	2	1	12	8	8
Havant	5	2	2	1	9	10	8
Guildford	5	2	1	2	10	9	7
Hull	6	2	0	4	6	13	6
Canterbury	6	1	2	3	13	16	5
Bournville	7	1	2	4	10	17	5
Trojans	7	1	2	4	9	17	5
Stourport	6	1	1	4	6	12	4
Firebrands	5	1	0	4	4	12	3
Slough	6	0	1	5	6	20	1

SECOND DIVISION: Bromley 1 Oxford University 2, Crosby 1 Barford Tigers 3. Doncaster 2 Cambridge City 1, Edgbaston 1 St Albans 1; Gloucester City 2 Sheffield 4, Harleston Magpies 1 Brooklands 1, Isca 3 *Hampstead and Westminster 1, Neston 1* Beeston 1, Richmond 1 Whitchurch 2

NORWICH UNION EAST LEAGUE: Premier division A: Blueharts 2 Bishop's Stortford 0, Cambridge Univ 0 Peterborough Town 5, Chelmsford 0 Redbridge and Ilford 1 Dereham 1 Colchester 2, Luton 0 Ipswich 6 Premier division B: Ipswich and E Suffolk 0 Old Southendian 0, Norwich City 1 Westcliff 1, Pelicans 2 Bedford 6, Romford 0 Bury St Edmunds 2 Sudbury 1 Stevenage 2

NORTHERN HOCKEY LEAGUE: First division: Ben Rhydding 1 Hightown-Northern 0; Formby 1 Norton 3, Harrogate 4 Blackburn 0, Southport 2 Timperley 6, Warrington 4 Stockton 0

DTZ DEBENHAM THORPE MIDLAND LEAGUE: Premier division: Hampton In Arden 0 Leicester Westleigh 0, Harborne 0 Lichfield 0, Khalsa 3 Belper 0, Nottingham 4 Bloxwich 2; Olton And West Warwick 3 North Notts 0

SUN LIFE WEST LEAGUE: First division: Bath Buccaneers 6 Plymouth 1; Swansea 0 Weston-super-Mare 2, Taunton Vale 3 Exeter Univ 3, West Glos 1 Cheltenham 3, West Wilts 5 Hereford 0

NASTRO AZZURRO LEAGUE: Premier league: Ashford 0 Dulwich 4; City Of Portsmouth 5 Maidenhead 2 High Wycombe 0 Old Kingstonians 0, Lewes 3 Winchester 3 Lyons 1 Fareham 2, Old Walcountians 3 Oxford Hawks 2; Old Whitgiftians 5 Staines 0, Wimbledon 1 Gore Court 1 Woking 1 Spencer 0 Postponed: Chichester v Anchorians Hampshire/Surrey: Bamo 1 Hamble O B 0, Bournemouth 7 Oxted 0 Camberley 1 Petersfield 3, Epsom 0 Basingstoke 3, Lensbury 1 London University 5, O Edwardians 1 Merton 0, Oxshott 2 O Mid Whitgiftians 1; Purley 4 Fleet 0, Weybridge Hawks 2 Southampton Tautonians 2. Kent/Sussex. Belvedere 2 Crawley 2, Herne Bay 1 Bognor 0, Horsham 3 Bexleyheath 1, Marden Russets 0 Blackheath 1 Middleton 3 Gravesend 0, Mid Sussex 1 Tulse Hill 1, O Bordenians 2 Brighton 0; O Holcombeians 1 Beckenham 4, O Williamsonians 1 Tunbridge Wells 1, Sevenoaks 4 Greenwich 1 Middx/Berks/Bucks and Oxon: Amersham 3 Richings Park 1, Aylesbury 1 Marlow 1, Bracknell 6 OMT 2; City Of Oxford 3 P H C Chiswick 0, Eastcote 1 Newbury 1; Gerrards Cross 1 Milton Keynes 3, HCC 1 Hayes 1, Hendon 1 Mill Hill 0; Wokingham 2 Sunbury 1.

REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: England XI 6 *Cannock 0 at Cardiff*

GUIDE TO THE WEEK'S MAIN FIXTURES

TODAY

FOOTBALL

Kick-off 7.30 unless stated
** denotes all-ticket match*

FA Carling Premiership
Leeds v Leicester (Sky, 8.0)

Vauxhall Conference
Stevenage v Welling (7.45)

DIADORA FOOTBALL LEAGUE: Premier division: Carshalton v Molesey First division: Bognor Regis Town v Chertsey Town

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Chelmsford v VS Rugby

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: First division: Ashton United v Altrincham Town First division Cup: First round: Worksop Town v Goole Town

PONTINS LEAGUE: First division: Manchester United v Derby (7.0). Second division: Newcastle v Huddersfield (at Gateshead, 7.0)

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION: First division: Chelsea v Arsenal (7.0). Millwall v Charlton (2.0). Queen's Park Rangers v West Ham United (at Harrow Borough FC, 7.0) Swindon v Norwich

JEWSON WESSEX LEAGUE. First division: AFC Lymington v East Cowes Vics

FA YOUTH CUP: First round: Doncaster Rovers v Scunthorpe United, Hull City v Blackburn Rovers, Bristol Rovers v Oxford United.

OTHER SPORT

BADMINTON: England v China (Maidenhead)

RACING. Leicester (1.15). Lingfield Park (1.30)

SPEEDWAY: British League (7.30). First division: Belle Vue v Reading. Finale challenge: Wolverhampton v Cradley Heath

TOMORROW

FOOTBALL

COCA-COLA CUP: Third round: Liverpool v Stoke (7.45) *Mansfield v Millwall, Queen's Park Rangers v Manchester City (7.45) Sheffield United v Bolton (7.45), Wimbledon v Crystal Palace (7.45)

SCOTTISH COCA-COLA CUP: Semi-final. *Airdrie v Raith (at McDiarmid Park, 8.0)*

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCHES: Blaenau Gwent v Pontypool (7.15); Cambridge Univ v Bedford (7.30), Cross Keys v Swansea (7.15), Glamorgan Wndrs v Newbridge (7.15), Mountain Ash v Cardiff (7.15), Oxford Univ v Northampton (7.15)

RUGBY LEAGUE

STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: First Division (7.30): Featherstone v Halifax Second division: Dewsbury v Swinton.

OTHER SPORT

BOXING: World Boxing Organisation bantamweight championship: Alfred Kotey (Ghana, holder) v Armando Castro (Mex) (Middlesbrough)

RACING: Leicester (1.20), Redcar (1.00), Newton Abbot (1.10)

WEDNESDAY

FOOTBALL

COCA-COLA CUP: Third round: Aston Villa v Middlesbrough (7.45), Blackburn v Coventry (7.45), *Brighton v Swindon (7.45), Newcastle v Manchester United (7.45), Notts County v Tottenham Hotspur (7.45), Oldham v Arsenal (7.45); Portsmouth v Derby (7.45) Sheffield Wed v Southampton (7.45), Tranmere v Norwich (7.30), West Ham v Chelsea (7.45), Wolverhampton v Nottm Forest (7.45)

SCOTTISH COCA-COLA CUP: Semi-final: *Celtic v Aberdeen (at Ibrox, 8.0)*

RUGBY UNION

TOUR MATCH: Wales A v South Africa XV (at Newport, 7.0)

INSURANCE CORPORATION LEAGUE: First division: Lansdowne v Old Wesley (7.30)

RUGBY LEAGUE

JOHN SMITH'S TOUR MATCH: Sheffield v Australia XIII (7.30)

OTHER SPORT

BOXING: Commonwealth super-middleweight championship: Henry Wharton (York, holder) v Sipho Movo (Zim) (BBC1, Leeds).

RACING: Yarmouth (1.25), Cheltenham (1.10), Fontwell Park (1.35)

SPEEDWAY: British League (7.30) First division: King's Lynn v Eastbourne

THURSDAY

RACING: Nottingham (1.20), Sedgefield (1.10), Stratford (2.00)

SPEEDWAY: British League (7.30) First division: Ipswich v Cradley Heath

FRIDAY

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCH: Kelso v Gala (7.30)

RUGBY LEAGUE

STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: First division: Hull v Wigan (Sky, 7.30)

OTHER SPORT

RACING. Newmarket (1.00), Bangor (1.20), Wetherby (1.10)

SATURDAY

FOOTBALL

FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP (3.0): Coventry v Manchester City; Everton v Arsenal, Ipswich v Liverpool, Leicester v Crystal Palace, Manchester United v Newcastle, Nottingham Forest v Blackburn, Queen's Park Rangers v Aston Villa, Sheffield Wednesday v Chelsea, Southampton v Leeds United Tottenham Hotspur v West Ham

ENDSLEIGH INSURANCE LEAGUE: First division: Bolton v Watford, Bristol City v Portsmouth Burnley v Notts County; Derby v Charlton; Luton v Barnsley; Middlesbrough v Swindon Millwall v Sheffield United, Southend v Grimsby, Sunderland v Oldham, Tranmere v Port Vale, West Bromwich Albion v Reading. Second division: Birmingham v Bristol Rovers, Brighton v Rotherham, Cambridge United v Brentford, Huddersfield v Bournemouth, Hull v Crewe, Leyton Orient v Stockport, Oxford United v Shrewsbury, Plymouth v Blackpool, Swansea v Peterborough; Wycombe v York. Third division: Barnet v Chesterfield; Doncaster v Torquay; Fulham v Carlisle; Gillingham v Darlington; Hereford v Lincoln, Preston v Exeter, Rochdale v Mansfield, Scarborough v Northampton, Scunthorpe v Hartlepool, Walsall v Bury, Wigan v Colchester

VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Bath v Altrincham Bromsgrove v Gateshead; Dag and Red v Kidderminster; Farnborough v Halifax; Merthyr v Kettering; Northwich v Macclesfield, Runcorn v Stevenage, Southport v Dover, Stafford v Woking, Telford v Welling, Yeovil v Stalybridge.

BELL'S SCOTTISH LEAGUE: Premier division: Aberdeen v Dundee United, Hibernian v Hearts; Motherwell v Kilmarnock; Partick v Falkirk. First division: Airdrie v Hamilton, Ayr v Stranraer; Clydebank v St Mirren, Dundee v St Johnstone; Raith v Dunfermline Second division: Brechin v East Fife, Greenock Morton v Dumbarton, Queen Of South v Berwick, Stenhousemuir v Meadowbank; Stirling v Clyde Third division: Albion v Queen's Park, Cale Thistle v Ross County, Cowdenbeath v Montrose; East Stirling v Alloa, Forfar v Arbroath.

FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP: Wimbledon v Norwich (Sky, 4.0)

RUGBY UNION

TOUR MATCH (2.30) Llanelli v South African XV

COURAGE CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIP: First division: Bath v Harlequins, Gloucester v Orrell; Leicester v Sale (Sky), Wasps v Northampton, West Hartlepool v Bristol.

HEINEKEN LEAGUE: First division: Abertillery v Pontypridd; Bridgend v Neath, Cardiff v Pontypool; Dunvant v Treorchy. Newport v Swansea.

REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES: Edinburgh D v Connacht, Leinster v South of Scotland, Scottish North and Mid v Munster: Ulster v Glasgow D

RUGBY LEAGUE

JOHN SMITH'S TOUR MATCH: Wales v Australia (Ninian Park, Sky, 3.0).

STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: First division: Castleford v Bradford Northern (3.30): Halifax v Sheffield (3.0); Leeds v Wakefield Trinity (3.0), Oldham v Featherstone Rovers (3.0), Workington v Doncaster (3.0)

OTHER SPORT

RACING: Newmarket (C4, 1.0), Ascot (BBC1, 12.55), Warwick (1.15), Wetherby (12.50), Wolverhampton (7.0)

SNOOKER: Benson and Hedges Championship (Edinburgh)

SPEEDWAY: British League (7.30): First division: Eastbourne v Poole. Finale challenge: Cradley Heath v Wolverhampton.

OTHER SPORT

SNOOKER: Benson and Hedges Championship (Edinburgh)

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Richard Heap samples life at the top in the world of indoor climbing, one of Britain's fastest growing sports

Hanging about on the climbing wall

DES JENSON



Fingertip control: young rock climber Eve Prickett gets to grips with the wall at an indoor centre in Keswick, Cumbria

"Cranking two dinky crimps, popping in a deep Egyptian and then laying on a radical double dyno for a thumb sprag" may sound like some form of medieval initiation ceremony, but it is actually the argot of the new breed of indoor climbing enthusiasts. It describes how best to use the tiny holds on a 70ft overhanging artificial rock face. It is talk of *pushing one's* physical and mental capabilities to the limit. And they do this in the name of fun?

Remember that first tree you climbed as a child, the freedom you felt as you worked out the best route to the top — and the pleasure in achieving your goal. This is the essence of rock climbing and the reason that indoor climbing, where the environment is both exciting, challenging and safe, is one of the fastest growing sports in the country.

Fifteen years ago climbing was all beards, soggy socks and being stuck halfway up a cliff laughing into a gale with a hangover. It is still this image of half insane machismo that most of the public associate with rock climbing, but over the years it has steadily developed into a genuine sport which will soon be on Olympic agendas. According to a Mintel survey climbing is the fastest-growing sport in Britain, with the number of enthusiasts having increased from 500,000 in 1985 to 700,000 in 1992.

The sheer challenge of scaling an apparently blank piece of rock is the over-riding factor which motivates the modern climber. Broccoli spears have replaced chip



butties, abdominal muscles have replaced beer bellies. The only thing that hasn't changed is the weather — and it is this which encouraged the building of indoor climbing venues.

The early Eighties saw climbing standards reach new heights, with full-time climbers who trained incessantly. For this, facilities that did not depend on the weather were essential. First, chipped brickwork at the local sports hall was used, but before long wooden boards, adorned by microdot finger ledges and of impossible steepness, were being erected in the cellars of Sheffield, the climbing capital of Britain.

The contemporary indoor climbing wall soon followed, with moulded resin panels used to simulate an entire crag. The first of these, built in Sheffield, was an instant success.

Such walls are not just the domain of top climbers in Lycra tights. They are designed, through variation in the angle of wall and the number of holds, to encompass the whole spectrum of climbing abilities, from novice to expert. People can enjoy their first climbing experience without the risk of a trip to the mountains. Ropes are generally *in situ* and all you have to do is tie in and start climbing, the only consequence of falling off being a bruised ego.

One taste of the elation of finding yourself successfully at the top of one of these walls after hurling yourself at every hold is enough to get most people hooked. The fact that you are completely exhausted and quivering like a jelly just adds to the sense of achievement.

My first climbing experience was on a damp November afternoon at a disused Lancashire quarry. My only success that day was to colour my clothes a muddy green as I slid down a slimy wall, my numb fingers ineffectively jammed into the back of a crack and my trainers no match for the lichen. I was not impressed. A few months later I found myself at the local climbing wall, actually enjoying myself. While the first encounter with the vertical monster left an indelible mark on my memory, it was this second meeting which sparked an addiction.

Nowadays it is not uncommon to see children as young as eight gliding up routes which at first seem impossible and the number of female climbers is on the increase too, male chauvinism finally having taken a back seat. It is not just the realm of the young, either. At the recent British Indoor Climbing Championships 50-year-old Angela Soper was more than holding her own against the sinewy young waifs of Sheffield.

At the wall, the emphasis is on fun. The atmosphere is very friendly as people encourage one another to push themselves to new levels. There is no last place — the competition is from within. It is a great place to keep fit, perilously swinging around by your fingertips 50ft up must definitely be one step ahead of pushing 30kg of weights at the gym.

However, this is not a reason for remaining indoors, for nothing can match the enjoyment of finding yourself alone on a gritstone outcrop making the most of the last light of a golden autumn evening. Just one word of warning, the transition from indoors to outdoors should not be underestimated. Ropes are not already in place and crash mats do not exist. However, the indigenous rock of Great Britain is the most varied in the world and its beauty, texture and shape yield a wealth of climbing motion and pleasure whose inspiration can be only touched upon by climbing walls.

Getting involved couldn't be simpler. Most of the dedicated climbing centres offer instruction at a minimal charge, with all equipment supplied. A few hours' tuition is enough to make you independent and most importantly, safe. So all you have to do is walk in off the street with an abundance of enthusiasm and a sense of humour and it shouldn't be long before you are experiencing the excesses of "matching on a gaston before flagging out for a tweaky mono".

Capital idea for London

ANDY Robinson's new idea is guaranteed to send Londoners up the wall. He and two colleagues, Stephen Taylor and David Rutven-Stuart, are planning to build the biggest indoor climbing centre in Europe. The venue they have chosen for the project is a "castle" in Stoke Newington in north London.

As climbers with a keen business sense they noticed the success of similar centres in other cities and decided to plug the gap in the capital. Their ambitions stretch beyond a simple climbing wall.

As Andy explained: "We want to bring the entire Welsh mountain experience to within a Tube stop of central London."

The castle's looks, however, belie its history for it is actually an old water pumping station built in 1856 by the eccentric architect William Chadwell-Milne. Owned by Thames Water it was decommissioned in the 1950s but was saved from destruction by its listed building status. Thames Water was thus stuck with an ever increasing repair bill for a building it did not need.

That is where Andy and company stepped in. The three businessmen, under the collective name of High Performance Sports, have planning permission to turn the building into an adventure playground.

The main hall is to be dominated by a 70ft climbing wall. The main turret is to be used for an atmospheric abseil, an underground pipe system will provide a caving experience while three pressure chambers in the disused boiler room are to be converted for altitude training for mountaineers.

The castle is expected to open next year and will also have gym and aerobics facilities.

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The British Mountaineering Council (BMC) provides information on affiliated clubs, walls and instruction. Address: Crawford House, Precinct Centre, Booth Street East, Manchester M13 9RZ. Tel: (061) 273 5835. Beginners instruction costs roughly £10 an hour. There are at least 500 climbing walls in the country, though according to the BMC only about 150 offer good quality climbing. The best way to find the closest is to inquire at your local outdoor shop. Costs: large wall £4, small walls £1.50 per session.
Magazines: On The Edge (bi-monthly), High (monthly) and Climber and Rambler (monthly). Available at W H Smith and most outdoor shops.

As steady as a rock

EVE Prickett was aged four when her father tied a rope around her waist for her first rock climb. "I remember wearing this safety helmet that felt huge. A chap on another climb asked my dad if it was safe for someone so small to be climbing rocks."

She is now 17, a member of the British team competing internationally in sport climbing contests (Ronald Faux writes), and a rising star among the competitive galaxy of sport climbers.

In the garage at her home in Blindcrake near Cockermouth there is a tilted slab of wood under which she is apt to cling like a bat in training sessions. Finger and forearm strength, a fine sense of balance and the power to weight ratio of a missile are weapons to cultivate for the high, relentlessly overhanging walls of the competition arena. She returned last week from Leipzig where she came sixth in her class in a world junior championship contest. Back now at her local secondary school she is studying for A levels, hoping for good grades that will allow her to read physiology at Manchester, Leeds or Sheffield, all universities notable for their proximity to climbing areas.

With the Lake District minutes away she prefers real mountains and natural rock to the sweat and chalk dust of the indoor variety. But it was a climbing wall that opened in a disused warehouse in Keswick that drew her seriously into the sport. Training on the wall two or three evenings a week developed the strength and technique to attempt harder routes on "real" rock.

Her father Andy, an architect, and mother Joan, a stress counsellor, are both devoted rock climbers. Brother Shaun, 19, too, shows an occasional keen interest. The family album shows dad swarming over Kilnsey main overhang on his fortieth, mother reaching for holds on a precipice in Spain and Shaun poised fly-like on the side of a slate quarry.

Eve says: "I started sport climbing two or three years ago. We go on family holidays to Provence. France dominates competition climbing because it is really big there and heavily promoted. In Britain it is much harder to reach those standards because there is not the same level of sponsorship and support."

A sport climb differs from a route on a natural cliff because it is protected by a line of fixed bolts into which competitors clip a safety rope. A fall will be halted long before the climber hits the deck so injuries are rare. On a natural cliff where the climber must arrange protection, the angle is usually less steep and the result of a fall potentially more serious. Fall from a climbing wall and you simply dangle. Enthusiasts call it flying.

Voracious Giants take elders in stride

WHEN a promising young basketball team meets an ageing one that is clearly past its best, there can be only one winner (Nicholas Harling writes). So it was on Saturday when Manchester Giants rode a late storm to inflict an 88-85 defeat on the 1993 Budweiser League champions, Worthing Bears.

The clubs are among seven realistic contenders for the title this season, but it is the potential of the Giants that stamps them as a class above most of their rivals. Their coach, Mike Hanks, said: "We've got young legs and hungry minds, and that's a good combination and a fun one to work with from a coach's point of view."

Hanks has a starting five with an average age of 25 — around seven years younger than Worthing's. And when Worthing bring a man off the bench, it is not necessarily a budding youngster, but usually Alan Cunningham, their player-coach, who is approaching 40.

The champions, Thames Valley Tigers, regained the league leadership, but Leicester City Riders contributed to their 88-75 downfall with three technical offences.

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Playing standards fail to match venue at Brighton Centre

Finding out if there is anyone for tennis

Andrew Longmore discovers that the British love for the game extends only as far as Wimbledon in high summer

It is a myth that the British like tennis. They like Wimbledon, which is different. Anyone can like Wimbledon, but only 458 — give or take the odd coach, off-duty linesman and ball girl — actually liked tennis enough to watch it on a dismal October evening in the Brighton Centre.

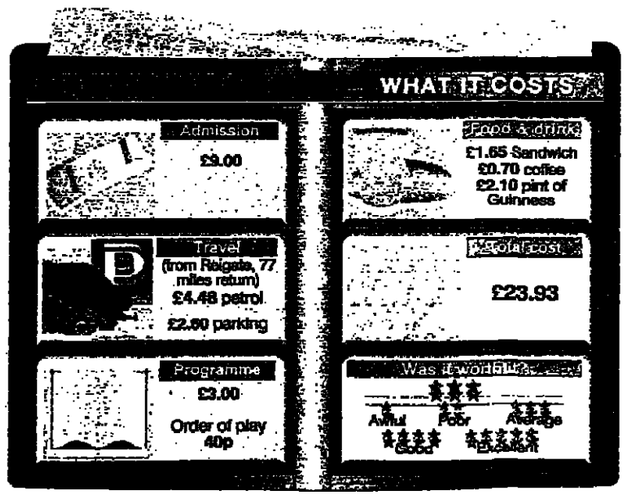
Each one of those stalwarts should be rewarded with a free Centre Court ticket for next July for they, not the privileged holders of debenture seats or the beneficiaries of the mysterious Wimbledon ballot, not the corporate hospitality boys or the Lawn Tennis Association acolytes, are the real lovers of the game, the diehards, the ones who come to watch the tennis. With indoor tennis, there is nothing to watch but the tennis. No basking in the sunshine, no strawberries and cream, no wandering about, no museum, no Wimbledon shop. Just tennis stripped down to the minimum of colour and, in the sad case of the Brighton international tennis championship in the middle of last week, the minimum of excitement.

"You can sit anywhere you like, dear," said the usher on the east balcony. "You can lie down if you want." I did not want to, as it happened, but it was a nice thought and wholly practical. I was the only occupant of my block for most of the evening, so I had a choice of viewing heights and angles for my £9 entrance fee. I had not expected the place to be rocking, particularly after the untimely withdrawal of the main attraction, Steffi Graf, and the hasty departure of Conchita Martinez, the Wimbledon champion, but I did expect a quorum. Perhaps the people of Brighton were saving up for Tom Jones next month.

The view was perfect, the tennis less so, the atmosphere so subdued a single cheer assumed the resonance of a cry in a church. "Come on, Anke." Anke (Huber) did not come on. She lost in a stream of self-chastisement and racket bouncing which suggested that she was, at least, trying. It must have been hard. Playing any sport in a vacuum is soul-destroying enough, playing a confrontational sport like tennis in the equivalent of a mausoleum would test the competitive instinct of John McEnroe himself. Surely it would have been better to stuff the place with children, advertise a comfortable chair and free soup, trawl the streets for support, do anything to fill seats and to encourage life. But there were no price concessions for children, only a discount rate for school parties.

The players' air of self-containment suggested that most of their trade is plied in half empty halls from Beijing to Barcelona, that they expect no different. They demanded no stimulus from the crowd, therefore were given none, but seemed happy enough to act out charades to each other. Backhand, forehand, film, book, three words.

The sadness is that these championships have produced some great champions down the years — Chris Evert, Martina Navratilova and Graf (six times) — and been graced with some outstanding finals, notably Graf's victories over Zina Garrison and Jana Novotna in 1991 and 1992. But with no sponsor and diminishing support from the top players, the tournament badly needs a shot in the arm or Britain will be left without any professional tennis from one summer to the next. Perhaps that is how it should be.



But there are some advantages in being in exclusive company. No queue for the bar, no rush for the sandwiches or, if you prefer, the £15 set menu in the Skyline restaurant. The Brighton Centre is a civilised venue, comfortable and spacious, particularly if you have one end of it to yourself. That evening, there were two singles matches and a doubles, in all about four hours of tennis at a cost of just over £2 an hour.

On the way out, in the foyer, a group of children were playing on an ingenious device called Batak, hitting a series of enclosed lights with a plastic bat. The game helps reflexes and flexibility and prompted more laughter and emotion in five minutes than the real thing did all evening. A video in the corner showed a replay of Agassi v Martin at Wimbledon. It seemed a different world.

Novotna takes title, page 33

Boardman takes up challenge

BY PETER BRYAN

CHRIS Boardman was able yesterday to place the final missing piece in the jigsaw of his 1995 cycle-racing programme and targets. The puzzle was completed by his confirmation that, after Tony Rominger, of Switzerland, had set a world one-hour record on Saturday, he would attempt to regain the record that he broke in July last year.

Rominger, one of the world's greatest riders against the clock with 25 victories in road time trials, covered 53.832km in the hour on the Bordeaux indoor track using a conventional bike and adding 0.792km to the record set by Miguel Induráin, the Tour de France winner, last month.

Induráin had covered 53.040km on the same track to improve Graeme Obree's figures (set in April) of 52.713km, which, in turn, eclipsed Boardman's 1993 distance of 52.270km. Both Britons made their successful attempts at Bordeaux.

Rominger's anticipated challenge to Induráin in this year's Tour de France after winning the Tour of Spain, failed to materialise when he pulled out with a virus. His return to competition after six weeks' rest was marked by an unbeaten run of time trial victories, including the Grand Prix des Nations.

Boardman and Obree will attack the record next year, but the former's wish to ride at sea level (possibly the new Manchester Velodrome "as the honourable thing") may be vetoed by his French sponsor, Gan.

Boardman may yield to pressure about the venue and decide that the period between the end of the Tour de France (late July) and the world championships (early October) at altitude in Colombia, where he defends his pursuit and time trial titles, could provide the right opportunity.

Obree, with a French sponsor for the next two years, may also make an altitude attempt, in Mexico in late April or May.



Rominger: sets record

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New boy Allen stamped as key to revival

Northampton 9
Gloucester 6

BY BARRY TROWBRIDGE

WITH a second-half performance that contrasted completely with the one they served up at Orrell the previous weekend, Northampton deservedly collected their first league points of the season on Saturday and moved off the bottom of the Courage Clubs Championship first division.

It was not pretty; against Gloucester, it was never going to be. But, having squandered leads against Bristol and Orrell with time running out, Northampton showed a determination to last 80 minutes and took the game to parts of the field from which even the early-season Gloucester would have found it difficult to score. At the final whistle, they were greeted with a roar that echoed round the back streets of St James.

For members of the Ben Clarke appreciation society, it will have been difficult to accept recent suggestions that Tim Rodber is being groomed to lead England after Will Carling, but, having pulled out of the match at Orrell at the last minute, the Northampton captain's return to fitness, as well as the relative freedom of play on the blind side, was the key to the transformation, and he certainly leads by example.

Nobody at Franklin's Gardens could deny Northampton their prize, although with 20 minutes remaining, when a rainbow hung over the length



Rodber: led by example

of the pitch and they were battling fruitlessly in their opponents' 22, there must have been thoughts aplenty that Gloucester, through Mapletoft's boot, may find a way to collect the pot of gold.

There, though, at full back, the Gloucester challenge ended. Their centres were anonymous. Mike Teague, so often an inspiration, was as defiant as ever, but exposed too often, and the pack in general — the front row in particular — had a torrid afternoon.

What good lineout possession there was went to Phillips, Bayfield or Rodber. In the centre, Matt Allen had an excellent debut as the replacement for the injured Rob MacNaughton. With John Fletcher announcing his return to his native North East at Newcastle Gosforth, Allen's emergence could prove vital. Eager to run straight at defences, he could be just the man to create space for Thorneycroft and Morgan on the wings.

If that happens, autumnal thoughts of Northampton's relegation could soon be distant memories. Gloucester to go down? That, as they say, is a whole different ball game.

SCORERS: Northampton: Penalty goals: Grayson (3). Gloucester: Penalty goals: Mapletoft (2)

NORTHAMPTON: S Juds, P Morgan, N Beal, M Allen, H Thorneycroft, P Grayson, M Dawson, M Hynes, A Clarke, M Lewis, T Rodber, J Phillips, M Bayfield, A Pountney, G Seeley.

GLOUCESTER: M Mapletoft, P Holford, S Morris, B Maslen, L Osborne, M Kimber, B Fenley, P Jones, D Hearsey, A Deacon, M Teague, D Sims, R West, I Smith, C Raymond.

Referee: C Rees (London)

Hamilton's late intervention saves Leicester



Gerald Davies on a 20-20 draw at the Recreation Ground and lessons rugby must learn in a television age

A GOOD result for the league, you may think, keeping everything open and Bath in check. But first something different. This match was as big as they come in English rugby. No other club game could match it for anticipation. The television crews, celestial and terrestrial, were there at the Recreation Ground, which was all very nice for rugby's promotion.

But it is not going to be all sweetness and light. Clubs that like to think they run their own affairs as they please may soon find the ground rules have changed. The celestial influence, in the shape of Sky Television, which broadcasts club rugby live, had persuaded the authorities that a 2.30 kick-off would be preferable. Public interest had to be taken into account. The authorities obliged. A fairly hefty contract fee provides a certain amount of extra muscle in these negotiations.

But television, as rugby may soon find out, is a hard taskmaster. There are professional demands; a programme schedule must be met, times adhered to. In the past only international and representative rugby have enjoyed live transmission and have recognised these demands. On Saturday, Tony Underwood, caught in the traffic on the way down from London, did not arrive on time. The kick-off was delayed ten minutes, though Underwood missed it and the game. The programme was on the air, but there was no sign of the start of the match. Some producer somewhere was biting his nails; viewers elsewhere were frustrated by the delay.

The players may seek to be professionals but the game and its ways are strictly amateur. Television viewers pay their subscription fees and expect to see what they pay for, at the time advertised. If this is the commercial road rugby union wishes to travel, it will have to brush up its act.

There is another point. Those present at the Recreation Ground and elsewhere may have to understand, too, that the break at half-time is of five minutes' duration, as the regulation stipulates, and is not cut short, as is often the case. Television companies want this rule to be followed strictly. Advertisers pay for this slot. Their wishes must be respected, the contract honoured. The match cannot begin until all the sponsors' messages have been heard.

On Saturday, as the players lined up for the restart, they were asked to wait until the television adverts had finished. The crowd began an impatient handclap. I am afraid they, too, must start to learn the commercial realities.



Catt: individual try



Richards: inspirational

The match itself matured in excitement in the later stages. Shortly after the interval, Catt scored a brilliant individual try, converted by Callard. Leicester, eight points adrift, seemed unlikely to recover, yet they did.

Johnson was again in fine form for the visitors in the lineout and was ably supported by Smith. This gave Leicester a degree of control in the first half, especially with Bath seemingly happy to give away penalties. Harris kicked three, which kept them a point behind Bath, for whom Callard had scored a penalty and Swift a try that had been beautifully conceived by De Glanville, Adebayo and Guscott in midfield. Callard had added the extra point.

Soon after the interval Hall won the ball at the tail of the lineout, which Bath had begun to vary away from the presence of Johnson, and moved in field. When the ball returned to Catt, he ran, paused and feinted left, a move Leicester's drift defence was happy to follow. Catt's turn of speed from a standing start shredded the defence for a try. Callard converted.

But then Leicester took their cue from Richards, their most resilient and influential personality. After Harris had kicked a couple of penalties and Callard one, Richards was twice in the move that led to a try by Hamilton, the scrum half who had played on the wing instead of the hapless Underwood. These were his first points for the club, and in view of what remains of the season, perhaps vital ones in securing a draw at the Recreation Ground.

SCORERS: Bath: Tries: Swift, Catt. Conversions: Callard (2). Penalty goals: Callard (2). Leicester: Try: Hamilton. Penalty goals: Harris (5)

BATH: J Callard; T Swift, P De Glanville, J Guscott, A Adebayo; M Catt, I Sanders; D Hilton, G Dawe, V Ubogu, A Robinson, N Redman, A Reed, J Hall, B Clarke. Robinson replaced by T Beddow (69min)

LEICESTER: J Liley; J Hamilton, D Edwards, S Potter, R Underwood; J Harris, A Kardooni, G Rowntree, R Cockerill, D Garforth, J Wells, M Johnson, T Smith, N Back, D Richards.

Referee: J Pearson (RFU).

Andrew laughs longest as Wasps move up

Bristol 24
Wasps 25

BY BRYAN STILES

WHEN Rob Andrew fell flat on his backside on the wet pitch as he kicked for touch in the opening minute, the Bristol supporters roared with laughter. It was the only laugh they had at his expense and he made them pay for it.

As he has done many times for England, the Wasps stand-off half proved to be the linchpin for most of his team's success. His sure touch guided Wasps to a victory that may have seemed out of reach as they slipped 18-8 behind at the interval in this Courage Clubs Championship game.

Wasps are still pursuing their high-risk strategy of running the ball from all parts of the pitch, leaving their games in danger of erupting into high-scoring affairs, with Wasps losing out unless a player with Andrew's manipulative skills pulls the control wires adroitly.

Just look what happened when they were without him for the match against West Hartlepool last month. They presented the bottom-of-the-table club with their only win of this season.

On Saturday they were certainly glad that he made the trip to Bristol to mastermind their win by two goals, one try and two penalty goals — to Bristol's one goal, one try and four penalty goals. It lifted Wasps above Bristol into third place in the table.

Andrew kicked ten points, but, more importantly he dominated the tactics, picking the right time to run the ball, the right time to kick to the corners, and the right time to chip ahead.

He always seemed to be in the right place to receive his scrum half's pass from the ruck or maul, even though he had just picked himself up from a heavy tackle yards away.

"He is a class player, the best fly-half in England . . . he takes the right options." Fine praise . . . and it came from Brian Hanlon, the opposition's New Zealand coach.

Hanlon was, however, less than pleased with Brian Campsall, the England international panel referee, who awarded a penalty try against Bristol, ruling that one of their defenders had committed a foul by punching the ball out of Greenwood's hands as he was about to score.

Bristol claim that they were trying to get the ball away from Greenwood legitimately. The score was neatly poised at 18-18 at the time and it gave Wasps the edge in the dash for victory.

Hanlon was also furious at the way that the referee handled the ruck and maul laws. "The referee was the most appalling I have seen in 12 months," he said. "All we want is consistency. He was refereeing one way for one side and another for the other."

With the high wind at his back Andrew helped Wasps into a 25-18 lead. But then Tainton brought Bristol back into the game with two penalties — but, just as against Gloucester the previous week, he missed with his final kick at goal that would have won the match.

SCORERS: Bristol: Tries: Patten, Williams. Conversion: Tainton. Penalty goals: Tainton (4). Wasps: Tries: Ufton, Pilgrim, penalty try. Conversions: Andrew (2). Penalty goals: Andrew (2).

BRISTOL: P Hull, G Sharp, R Knibbs, D Wring, A Williams; M Tainton, K Bracken; A Sharp, M Regan, D Hinkins, C Barrow, P Stiff, A Blackmore, S Eves, I Patten. Patten replaced by T Griffin (78).

WASPS: J Ufton, P Hopley, G Childs, D Hopley, S Pilgrim; R Andrew, S Bates; D Molloy, P Dallaway, J Probyn, L Dallaglio, M Greenwood, N Hadley, C Wilkins, D Ryan.

Referee: B Campsall (Yorkshire).

Luyt defends stance as touring team struggles for attacking rhythm

South Africans start in second gear

Cardiff 6
South Africans 11

BY DAVID HANDS
RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

WHAT they will make of this scoreline back on the veldt needs little imagination. South African audiences are accustomed to having points rammed down their throats: 64 and 72 in their last two internationals, 89 in the Currie Cup final. Is Britain in some kind of time warp, they may ask. That is exactly what Louis Luyt believes anyway.

While South Africa's national team was preparing for the first match of its tour in Cardiff on Saturday, Luyt, president of the South African Rugby Football Union, emerged with a robust defence to suggestions made by the International Rugby Football Board (IRFB), meeting in Vancouver last week, that he had brought the game into disrepute.

The IRFB seeks an inquiry into recent statements made by Luyt about professionalism and the organisation of the last World Cup. Luyt agrees that his remarks might not have been universally appreciated, but emphasises that "the great issue now confronting the sport is not whether rugby union should stay amateur or turn professional, but whether we should admit what everyone knows is happening in every major country, or whether we should sustain the amateur pretence. I was expressing my sincere and honest views on the future of rugby union. Perhaps the game would be better served if more administrators followed suit".

The touring party will be happy to leave the administrators to wrangle for a while. On this evidence they have enough work of their own as their players come to terms with wet and muddy conditions, a different ball and different refereeing interpretations. At least they won — by a try and two penalty goals to two penalties — which is what England found such difficulty in doing on their visit last summer to South Africa.

Kitch Christie, the South Africa coach, made the observation that "we will have to slow the game down, we are trying to do things too fast". On the hard, true pitches of his country, top-of-the-ground rugby comes naturally, the bounce of the ball can be dramatic, passes stick, points are scored. In Cardiff, a downpour greeted the players, few of whom — on either side — could control the ball in contact for long.

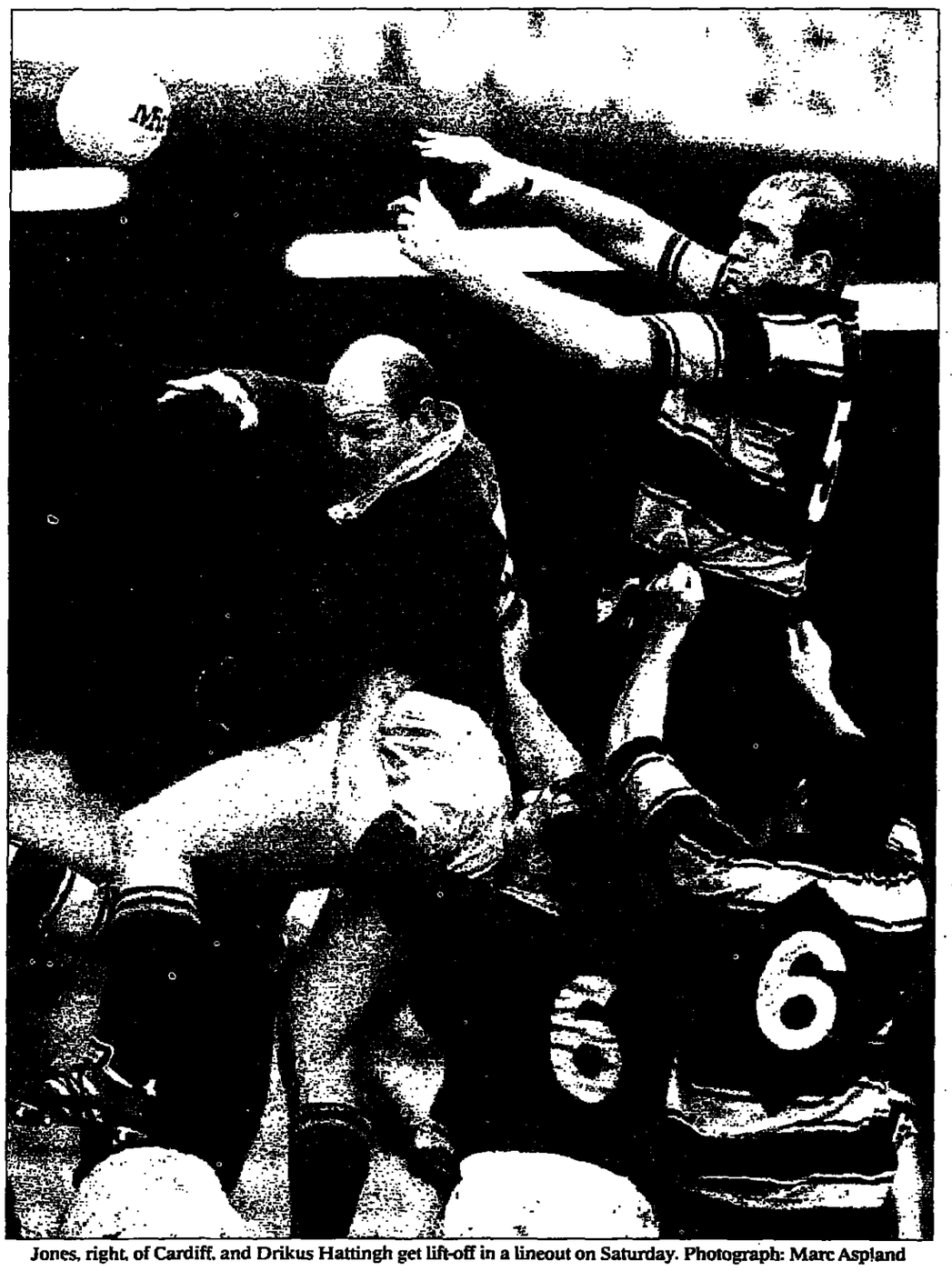
There is likely to be more of this, not less. "It could snow in the valleys," Rudolph Straeuli, captain for the day, reminisced as he recalled his season with Penarth. It will be incumbent upon the South Africans to adapt their game to the conditions, and to that end they will have to work on their scrummage and their back-row combinations. They got little change out of Cardiff in either area.

On the other hand, morale will be lifted by beating the Welsh Cup holders. "Will Wales be so much better than Cardiff?" Christie pondered, knowing that he is the one with daily access to his players, not Alan Davies, his opposite number. There is, moreover, a solid bedrock in this South African party. Those who survive from the first training camp of the year to the last will have devoted four months to international preparation alone. No wonder Luyt can query just how amateur rugby is.

After a humdrum game, Cardiff were left to rue a missed opportunity. Their players were asking, too, why they could not have played on their own club ground next door, rather than the National Stadium. "It didn't feel like the atmosphere of a club game against a touring side," Mike Hall, their captain, said. "It would have been more intimidating for the South Africans." As it happens, the disappointingly small crowd of 14,329, reduced by poor weather and the attractions of television, would have fitted neatly into the club ground.

In that sense the South Africans will not enter the tour until they take on Llanelli, Neath and Swansea, all within eight days. "If those clubs can fill their grounds they have a chance," Hall opined, his own side having shown the South Africans to be less than giants. In the lineout they have the utterly dependable Andrews, but Jones and Roy battled their corner effectively, the 6ft 10in Jones suffering the odd elbow from Drikus Hattingh for his pains.

However, Cardiff could not carry a free-ranging game to their visitors as they had planned. Two penalties gave them a first-half advantage.



Jones, right, of Cardiff, and Drikus Hattingh get lift-off in a lineout on Saturday. Photograph: Marc Aspland

> 'With points at such a premium, is British rugby in a time warp?'

and the South Africans were grateful to Joubert for his sound defensive qualities, and for his perception — rather better on the day than Stransky's — of where the game should be played, though it must have hurt their coaches to see two prime attacking scrums lost to turnovers.

The mould was broken by van der Westhuizen's try from 40 metres, which should have been stopped, though the scrum half used intelligently a big line-up of players outside him as a foil. Had Davies kicked successfuly for goal with five minutes left, Cardiff might have defended a one-point lead. This time, unlike 1907 and 1951, when a gallant defeat earned the trophy, there was no springbok head to be won.

SCORERS: Cardiff: Penalty goals: Davies, John. South Africans: Try: van der Westhuizen. Penalty goals: Stransky (2).

CARDIFF: C John; S Ford, M Hall, C Lally, N Walker; A Davies, A Moore; M Griffiths, J Humphreys, L Mustoe, H Taylor, S Roy, D Jones. O Williams, E Lewis. Moore temporarily replaced by A Booth (35-40min).

SOUTH AFRICANS: A Joubert; C Badenhorst, P Muller, B Venter, C Williams, J Stransky, J van der Westhuizen; S Swart, U Schmidt, I Hattingh, R Kruger, M Andrews, H Hattingh, R Straeuli, G Teichmann.

Referee: J Fleming (Scotland).

Coste's magic flute aims to charm nation of football lovers



Lynagh: back in Italy

BY PAOLO CATELLA

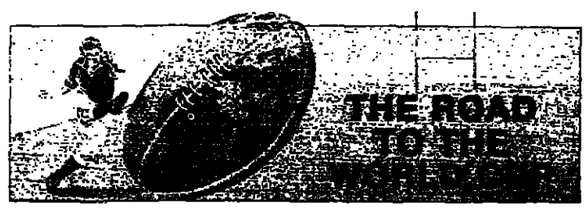
Can Italy fall in love with rugby union? Maybe not, but no one has charmed this football-crazy country with a flute as magical as the *Azzurri*, the national rugby team, is now playing, and there is general agreement that a powerful momentum can be created by the drive towards the World Cup.

The change has occurred through one man, Georges Coste, from Perpignan. Ironically, Italy's upward surge started a year ago when the flute trilled so loudly in Treviso that Coste's countrymen from France were beaten — the first time in 58 years that Italy had beaten a French side, albeit a so-called A team.

Then it was the turn of Scotland A to lose in Rovigo. Diego Dominguez kicking one more penalty than Michael Dods in an 18-15 win. There were victories by record points margins at the World Cup qualifying stage, swiftly followed by a disappointing defeat in the Five competition against Romania, but it was the tour to Australia last summer which showed that Italian rugby was coming of age.

A three-point defeat in the first international against Australia, a well-deserved victory over the Super 10 winners, Queensland, and a respectable 20-7 defeat in the second international. The Romanian result was reversed in Catania and this month, in Cardiff, there was some satisfaction in the defeat by Wales, even though Italy could not imitate the deeds of Western Samoa and Canada at the Arms Park.

In all of this, Coste, the little big man who now coaches Italy, has become the spiritual heir of Pierre



Villepreux, who has spent so much time helping Italian rugby. Villepreux, the former French full back and guru of total rugby, told Coste he would find talented and skilful players in Italy but also weak team organisation, poor discipline, lack of consistency. Spaghetti rugby — nice to watch, easy to digest.

Such a situation required time which the Italian federation (FIR) seldom offers. But the FIR gave *carte blanche* to Coste and he found himself with players available for long enough to build a genuine squad. There were grumbles from the leading clubs and influential sponsors turned up their noses when the club championship was restricted but the commitment of the national squad members has become intense.

There are 15,000 players scattered along the traditional strongholds: Venice and Milan in the north, Rome and L'Aquila in the centre, Catania in the south. The impact of overseas players has been significant but many clubs have tried to use them as a short cut. The likes of David Campese, Jason Little, Joel Stransky and Tim Gavin could not be used as a tool in World Cup year; Michael Lynagh has returned from Australia only because he is to marry an Italian, as John Kirwan did before him.

Home players are taking the lead, now the invasion of the *oriundi*, those foreign players qualified for Italy through their family origins, has ended. Coste has become an industrious talent scout, fishing not only in the top sides like Milan and Treviso but in the second division. He wants to establish a squad of 35 to 40 players who can cope on the international stage.

He seems to be on the right lines: Italy toured in Australia without Dominguez, their goal-kicking machine, and when Italy beat Romania this month they were without ten regular players.

All the federation's policy decisions have been postponed until after the World Cup. During that build-up, Italy will play their traditional game with a French XV in December. A month later come Scotland A and, a fortnight before Italy take flight for South Africa, they will play Ireland in Milan.

Their pool matches will be difficult: the *Azzurri* start against Western Samoa before taking on England and Argentina. But should they reach the quarter-finals, even Italy's football followers may surrender to the magic of rugby.

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Why British rugby league must adopt Australian rules if it is to shed its image and expand

Cloth caps, champagne and a sport at the crossroads



David Powell on the huge stakes resting on the success of the London Broncos



Australians lend their support to London Broncos, but facilities here compare badly with the one they know, where pampered supporters pack plush stadiums. Photograph: Denzil McNeelance

Andrea Watson is a Broncos supporter, one of the lucky ones. She is a Brisbane Broncos supporter, not a regular at London Broncos. She realised on Friday how lucky she was when she went to see London Broncos at Barnet Copthall stadium for the first time. The Broncos of Brisbane and London are related, but so are Brian and Nigel Clough, and look how different they are.

Brisbane Broncos have been the champion club of Australian rugby league twice in the past three years. They have a stadium that takes 60,000, average crowds of 43,000, three men in Australia's national side, and a turnover of Aus $13 million a year. In March, they bought London Crusaders, an impoverished club, and gave it a respectable family name. The new owners expect to lose Aus $2 million dollars over three years before starting to count the profits.

Watson, in London for the international against Great Britain at Wembley on Saturday, simply had to visit Brisbane Broncos' adopted child, a club without a permanent home, with gates of under 1,000 and as likely to be called on by Eliery Hanley, the Great Britain coach, as Barnet football club is by Terry Venables. On this night the gate had been doubled by Broncos bringing forward their New Year's Day fixture to draw on the Australians in town.

"We're right in there rooting for them," Watson said, though the truth was that London Broncos' 12-3 defeat of Rochdale Hornets, in the Stones Bitter championship second division, was a poor match, and little rooting was heard from the 600 Australians in the 1,200 crowd. She was just pleased to be among Londoners who understood the game. Since arriving in the capital, Watson had been stunned by people's ignorance of her favourite sport.

"What the Broncos have to do here is get all of London to know about rugby league because you cannot find anyone who knows what the hell you are talking about," Watson said. The new owners of London Broncos are determined to do what they can, and the northern heartland of rugby league is depending on their success.

Ninety-nine years after breaking away from rugby union, rugby league has yet to establish the professional game outside Yorkshire, Lancashire and Cumbria. Several clubs have tried and failed, but still the Rugby Football League (RFL) seems to be making little effort to develop the sport outside its traditional borders. Its recent document, *Framing the Future*, was so preoccupied with improvement in the traditional areas that expansion was barely touched.

The RFL says that staging internationals at Wembley is as much to do with stimulating southern interest as with the £2 million gate receipts, which no ground in the north would return.

But for the estimated 15,000 spectators attending a match for the first time, where do they go for more after having their appetite whetted by Great Britain's fabulous victory? How can the game hope to become part of the everyday life of people who do not live near the M62 if the only channel for their enthusiasm is one London club, a second-division one at that?

The need for a successful London team is urgent if the potential to capitalise on famous Great Britain victories, and through weekly live championship matches on Sky, is not to be wasted. "If we are going to expand, we have to get a base in London," Harry Gration, the RFL spokesman, said. "We want it to be a nationwide sport. The London Broncos experiment is very important to us. If it works, we will go into the Midlands, then further up until we have an established network." While the other league clubs are restricted to three overseas players, London Broncos are allowed eight, such is the RFL's wish to see a beacon of light shine from the capital.

Why should Broncos succeed where others failed? "Because they have got the backing of the Australians, who are prepared to pump more money into the game than we can afford to," Gration said. "They are also going to establish a proper structure which we have never been able to do down there. The Aussies think they can run the game better than anybody and, with slight tongue in cheek, we are saying: 'Here is your opportunity'."

Part of the London Broncos investment will be taking the game to schools. "When you look at the Broncos' expertise in Australia, and the success they have had there, you would bet on them making a success of it here," Geoff Carr, the Australia team manager, said.

Whether Britain should be relying on Australians to give the game here southern stability is questionable, but Brisbane Broncos welcome the chance. There is one board of directors covering Brisbane and Barnet and one director, John Ribot, said on Friday: "We started with nothing in Brisbane and we have started with nothing here. It may take a few years but we think we will get there eventually. Other ownerships here have been passionate but they have not understood the business."

The difference is that the public understood rugby league when Brisbane started out in 1987. It is only in the last two years, with Sky showing 30 live matches a season, and 30 more in full but with delayed transmission, that numbers following the game in Britain are swelling outside the three northern counties. "Coverage like Sky's is absolutely vital," Gration said. "The one thing that has been lacking in the past is regular exposure."

Channel 9 television helped to expand the game in Australia where, in the last decade, it has undergone a metamorphosis. Once taken seriously only in Sydney and Brisbane, 20 teams now play in a national league stretching to Perth, Townsville, Sydney, and even across the Tasman Sea to Auckland. "Television has had a big influence, it has spread the gospel, and I suppose that is what is happening here with Sky," Carr said.

Rugby league in Britain has been held back, according to Jack Robinson, the Wigan chairman, because "we have never been part of the establishment. There is an establishment feeling that 'rugby league let the side down by breaking away from rugby union'." A feeling, also, of fear of expansion among the less successful clubs. "It is so parochial they would be frightened to death in Bramley and Batley," Stuart Duffy, the Wigan programme compiler, said.

Australian grounds put Britain's to shame. Central Park, home of Wigan, is one of the best but it is cosy, not splendid. One stand is mint fresh but, at the opposite end, the terracing drops away. The entrance to the vice-presidents' suite has a grubby carpet and the paint is peeling off the banisters. Headingley, another leading ground and home to Leeds, has seating only on one side. Refreshment outlets are not a patch on those in Australia.

"The facilities are not up to scratch," Carr said. "Diabolical." Peter Wilkins, a commentator for ABC Radio, said. "The fans have been let down. After the Wigan game I went out the back to file and there were about 1,000 blokes urinating against the wall. You would not find that in Australia." You will find prematch entertainment, and having Cliff Richard sing at Wembley is a concept that needs to catch on among the clubs here.

The cloth cap and working men's club image portrayed in the Lindsay Anderson film, *This Sporting Life*, has long gone. Richard Harris plays the star signing who, for all his talent, lived in lodgings. Now, with probably 30 players earning more than £100,000 a year, rugby league professionals can afford luxury homes. Jonathan Davies, for example, has a spacious four-bedroom house in a desirable part of Widnes.

The win on Saturday should quieten Australian jokes at Britain's expense.

> 'How can the game become a part of life for people not near the M62?'

The one, for example, about Britain's players being poor at English because they do not know the meaning of the word "tackle". Cheap shots at London Broncos are becoming less justified, too, now promotion is in sight. This, from the London Broncos fanzine. "Did you see that O. J. Simpson chose a Ford Bronco for his getaway car? We could have told him that almost anything can catch a Bronco." Try telling that one in Brisbane.

Britain triumph, page 31



Davies's affluence reflects the rewards now on offer



Harris portrayed an era when talent counted for little

Cronin wins first cap against United States

BEN Cronin, the Garryowen No 8, is the only new cap in Ireland's team to play the United States at Lansdowne Road in Dublin on Saturday week. Cronin comes into the back row in place of Brian Robinson, who has a knee injury that will keep him out for at least six weeks.

The selectors have left a vacancy at blindside flanker but it will be filled by Pat O'Hara, providing that he can prove his fitness when he plays this weekend.

Returning to the side after long absence is Brendan Mullin, Ireland's most-capped centre with 45 international appearances and his country's leading try-scorer. Mullin retired from representative rugby in 1992, but made himself available for selection this season.

Jonathan Bell, who was capped twice in Australia at centre last summer, has been named at left wing. He has already played in that position at under-21 and A-team levels.

The selectors have taken a gamble in choosing Eric Elwood at stand-off half. He was injured in an early-season exhibition game and has not played since.

IRELAND TEAM: C O'Shea (Lansdowne); S Geoghegan (Bath), B Mullin (Blackrock College), P Danaher (Garryowen), J Bell (Ballymena), E Elwood (Lansdowne), M Bradley (Cork Constitution, capt); N Popplewell (Wasps), K Wood (Garryowen), P Clohessy (Young Munster), P Johns (Dungannon), N Francis (Old Belvedere), A N Other. D Corkery (Cork Constitution), B Cronin (Garryowen). Replacements: C Clarke (Terenure College), G Fulcher (Cork Constitution), A McGowan (Blackrock College), J Fitzgerald (Young Munster), A Rolland (Blackrock College), T Kingston (Dolphin).

Orrell discover extra gear

Harlequins	6
Orrell	8

BY PETER BILLS

WHATEVER the reason, and it has probably by now become lost in the mists of time, Orrell wield a fairly formidable Indian sign over Harlequins. Victory at a rain and wind-lashed Stoop Memorial Ground by a try and penalty goal to two penalty goals was Orrell's eighth over Harlequins in nine games.

They achieved the double over them last season and, after this victory, will be infused with optimism for the return league match in April. Somehow the sight of those black shirts and shorts sends Harlequins' hearts all aflutter.

The transformation in Orrell's forward play from the abject performance they gave at Bristol two weeks ago was greatly encouraging. Their revamped front row looked altogether more solid while both locks and Cleary, the No 8, battled nobly for the cause throughout the second half. Having Morris back at scrum half made all the difference.

Their collective performance was just enough to beat a Harlequins side that often looked rudderless. With players of the calibre of Moore, Jenkins, Pears, Challinor and Mullins all injured, it is becoming painfully apparent that the reserves available to the club are simply not good enough.

Bad luck is continuing to multiply the problems, for both Carling and Keyter were early departures on Saturday with injuries. The England captain suffered a twisted ankle but it is not thought to be serious.

Keith Richardson, of hearty Gloucester fibre, knows he is facing a formidable task up in the smoke. He admitted that the club is already engaged in searching for new players for next season, an extraordinary scenario made necessary by the long qualification period now required by the Rugby Football Union. "We are desperately short in certain positions and you have to be looking now," he admitted. "Everybody is."

Quins tried but their effort only smouldered and never burst thrillingly into life. Wright a scrum half pressed into service at stand-off half, did his best but the pack never mastered Orrell's doughty fighters and therein lay the chief problem.

Morris summed it up best: "Both sides were desperate to win but we just dogged it out a little bit better." On a wild day with a soaked ball which few players could hold consistently, that was the quality required.

Several times potential tries were lost on or near the line through poor handling. Winstanley twice missed such chances, Manley similarly. But when Harlequins trailed only 5-3 at the interval with the wind advantage to come after half-time, they seemed well set. Yet it was Orrell who found the extra gear required and Harlequins were always second best.

Morris seized upon Alexander's mistake behind his own line to snaffle the only try just before half-time. Langford added a penalty against Greenwood's goal in each half for the Londoners.

SCORERS: Harlequins: Penalty goals: Greenwood (2); Orrell: Try: Morris. Penalty goal: Langford

HARLEQUINS: W Greenwood; J Keyter, W Carling, J Alexander, G Thompson, C Wright, R Kitchin, J Leonard, J Hamilton-Smith, S Brown, T Coker, A Snow, W Davison, M Pepper, C Sheasby. Carling replaced by R Glenister, 47min, Keyter replaced by J Cassell, 66

ORRELL: S Langford; J Naylor, I Wynn, P Johnson, A Healey, P Hamer, D Morris; P Winstanley, A Redmond, J Cundick, P Manley, C Cooper, C Brierley, S Bibby, D Cleary.

Referee: E Morrison (Gloucester).

Honesty going to the dogs

Among last week's junk mail was a letter from one who would have me believe that he dealt in bloodstock and every now and then became privy to information concerning winners of races. In view of his position, in which it would clearly not be seemly to be seen to put money on horses, he wondered whether I as a man of integrity would join him in a venture which would be to my pecuniary advantage. He wrote from a PO Box on the South Coast.

As I slotted the communication into the waste-paper basket I remembered my first con. The year was 1941. I was 17, an apprentice cook at the Dorchester Hotel, awaiting the buff-coloured envelope that would call me to fight for King and Country.

After lunch we had a break until 5pm, during which time there was the choice of going to a milk-bar and explaining why you were not in the Army or going to the greyhounds. At Stamford Bridge one afternoon I was mistaken for the Duke of Kent.

This man came up to me, doffed his hat, bowed, then blushed and excused himself, asked me to forgive him.

"For what?"

He said that I bore the most striking resemblance to the Duke of Kent and until he approached me and realised that I was younger than His Royal Highness, he had wished to pay his respects. He hoped I was not annoyed at this.

I told him that I was not; suggested that Stamford Bridge dogs was an unlikely place to encounter members of the Royal Family . . . but then "there's a war on".

He agreed. "There's a war on" explained pretty well everything at that time and he bought me a cup of tea and asked how I was doing.

Only just arrived, I explained. "So you missed the No 4 dog in the last?"

"Yes."

"Well, my Lord," the man said, though I had assured him of my plebeian status, "he was the first of the dogs I was sent here to support and has enabled me to plunge significantly on two further good things." What was more, in order to make up for my embarrassment at being thought to be someone I was not, he would put me on these dogs . . . say for a tenner?

I explained that four shillings was the sort of denomination in which I dealt. "Make it a fiver," he said. "Are you on your own?"

I told him that I was with three other cooks with whom I had shared a taxi, with whom I was returning to work after the sixth.

"Don't tell them."

"Tell them what?"

"That I am putting you onto the winner of the next because of who I thought you were. Give me a fiver, the dogs are going into the traps."

I asked whether £2 would do. He took it grudgingly, said "meet you at the tea-bar after the race" and made to move off to the bookmakers.

I said "which dog?" and he turned, lifted three fingers and went to the ring. The three dog won, won at decent odds, won after the two leaders had run into each other on the final bend, which looked to those who were not in the know like a lucky victory. I cheered it loudly and went to meet my benefactor at the tea-bar. I waited there for four races, persuaded my fellow cooks to hang on for a while because a man was coming to pay me some winnings . . . but in the end we had to leave.

What sort of man was he, asked the apprentice on the fish department in the taxi back to the hotel.

"A man of some perception," I said.

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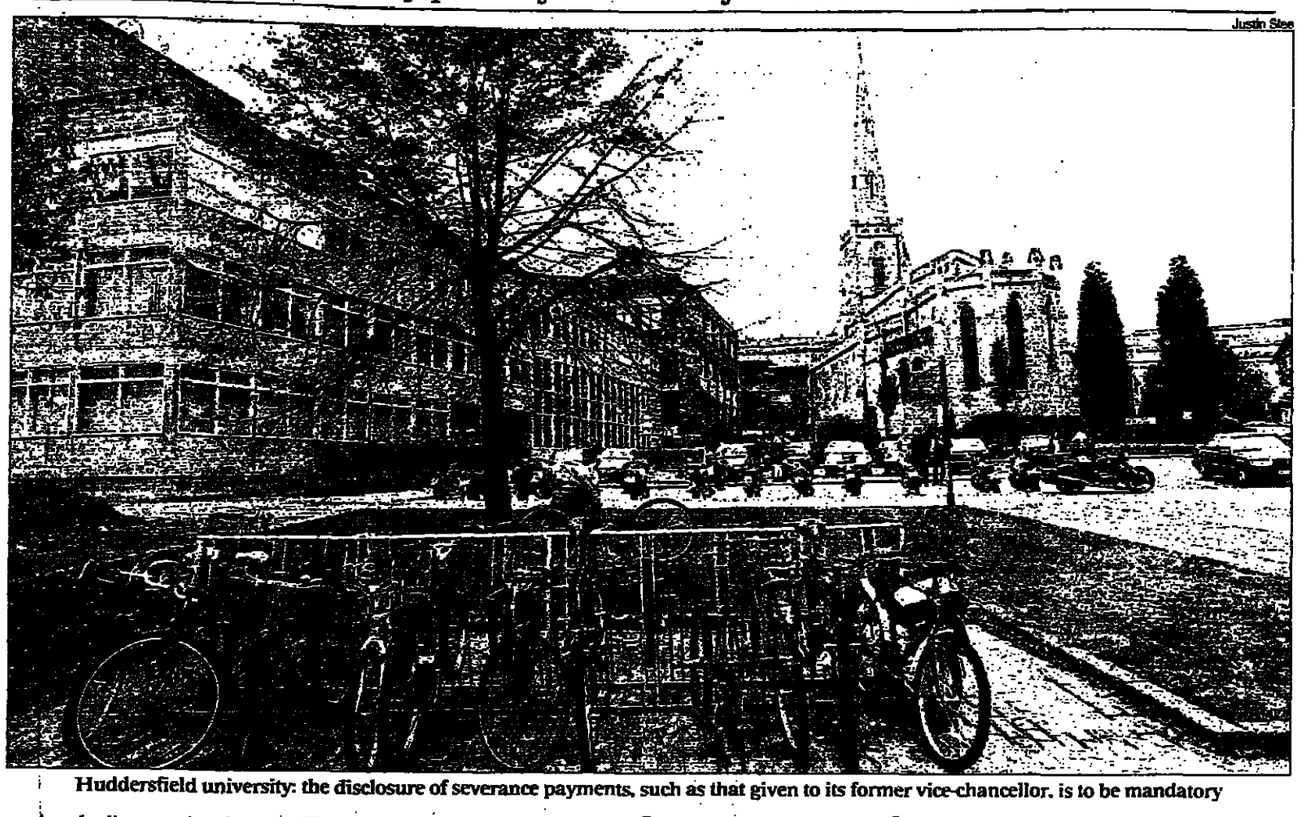
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EDUCATION

David Triesman on why publicly financed systems should not have their secrets



Justin Stee

Huddersfield university: the disclosure of severance payments, such as that given to its former vice-chancellor, is to be mandatory

No university sleaze please

A leading university vice-chancellor told me recently that for the first time in many years the "smell of sleaze" had drifted towards the university system after reports of the extraordinary severance package granted to Huddersfield university's departing vice-chancellor. Professor Kenneth Durrands was offered about £500,000, a car and lifetime family health insurance. Now, however, both the Higher Education Funding Council for England, and the Public Accounts Committee, have advised the university to set aside the agreement.

Henceforth, disclosure of severance payments, as well as the remuneration of higher-paid staff, are to be mandatory. The announcement was greeted with unalloyed pleasure by all who value public accountability, ending weeks of discontent about the governments of the new universities.

If many were surprised by the 65-year-old vice-chancellor, in whom 98 per cent of the staff had no confidence, I was more surprised that details had ever escaped from a body designed to keep its secrets secret.

The Times editorial (September 28) precisely targeted the issue. What kind of publicly financed system can decide upon and hide this kind of sleaze? The potential for abuse *touches every higher education* institution established by "incorporation" under the 1989 Education Reform Act, especially new universities. The Chief Executive of the HEFCE doubts his powers to stop a Huddersfield. For, with student and staff governors removed from the governing body, internal checks have been eliminated. Inevitably, the Public Accounts Committee intervened.

Incorporated universities are in the dock on this. Their great achievements in reaching large numbers of students who never before had access to higher education are overshadowed.

If there is to be any breach in *the walls of secrecy, and if new* forms of accountability are to be introduced in the new universities, as *The Times* demanded, we must learn why problems arose. There were three main reasons. First, the 1989 legislation repositioned polytechnics as private companies. Many new vice-chancellors wrongly believe that new, competitive funding regimes would enable them to win money from older universities. More importantly, they began to act as private competitive firms — obsessed by secrecy. Disciplinary penalties were introduced for those who spoke or published out of turn, and academic freedom was subordinated to "inter-company" rivalry.

Top management and governors played the game with vigour. It was better understood by the businessmen-governors than by academics. Under the rhetoric of efficiency, staff and student governors were removed from key decisions. Second, enthusiasm for change was driven by newfound freedom from local education authorities and inquisitive councillors. There was unseemly exuberance when the democratic link vanished, and little acknowledgement that local rates had built university-sized institutions.

Once gone, there was little



Kenneth Durrands was offered £500,000 and a car

appetite for reintroducing democracy in governing bodies.

Third, the 1980s saw a frenzy of deregulation in all fields. Deregulation left utilities and former public institutions free to dispose of our money. Incorporation reflected that process and that is why it was chosen over the usual basis of universities — individual charters.

The changes which would expunge all this would, then, be as follows. Legislation is needed to cancel incorporation and replace it with the grant of a charter to each new university, which would provide details for governance and collegiate life.

The code would detail arrangements for selecting governors, limiting all terms of office to no more than five years unless properly reselected. Among the selection *procedures there would be* mandatory election of representatives of the principal staff grades and of students. Each university would publish an annual return of its governors and a summary of the gender and ethnicity balance. The Secretary of State would publish an annual report on the totals.

The code would specify which university managers would have all elements of their taxable incomes disclosed, including unusual payments like the purchases of additional pension entitlement. Those paid by the public cannot hide earnings and other perks. As well as details of accounts, the minutes of meetings of the governors and committees would be in the public domain. On confidential matters, formal guidance would be given restricting secrecy to the minimum.

Each new university would have a Visitor, a custodian of its reputation, who should be a public figure, freely available and entitled to question abuses of power and unwarranted secrecy. Anyone doubting the value of such a figure should read the remarkable report into the recent crisis in Swansea's philosophy department by the former High Court judge, Sir Michael Davies.

In *The Times Higher Education Supplement* in June 1991, the Principal of the University College of Swansea observed of argumentative staff that: "If this had happened in a company, those people would have been up the road the moment they kicked up the fuss they did." The fuss was that they objected to major plagiarism in a master's degree paper. Sir Michael's comment was "that neither the University of Wales nor the University College of Swansea *is 'a company' in the profit*-making or any other sense. They are academic institutions. I believe that this has not always been remembered in Swansea." There is no Sir Michael for a Huddersfield. In future, there must be.

● *The author is general secretary of the Association of University Teachers.*

The non-Oxbridge university blues

Donors, particularly foreigners, tend to favour the Oxford and Cambridge appeals, whatever the cause

VIEWPOINT



Tessa Blackstone

In a leader last week The Times claimed that "Oxford's fundraising success is a model for other universities". Regrettably it is not.

Oxford and Cambridge are set apart from other universities by their history and the relative wealth of their alumni and their international renown. Whatever the quality of their work — and much, though by no means all of it, is of high quality — the two universities will remain the ones of which everyone has heard, including the corporate and individual super rich in America and Japan.

A substantial part of the £340 million raised by Oxford *came from abroad*, some of it from donors for whom it was status-conferring to give to Oxford. No other British university except Cambridge, and possibly the London School of Economics, can begin to compete at this level on the international stage because, however good their cause, they do not have the same prestige abroad.

Of course, other universities can raise money by *appealing to their local communities*. Some have done so for years. This is how the big provincial universities have acquired endowments. It is in fact a long time since I heard any vice-chancellor suggesting that the State be the only source of funding for higher education.

But funds which do not come from the State will be from research contracts with industry, from short courses for employers, from renting *out facilities in the vacation*, from fees from overseas students — in other words, from services they market themselves, not from donations given in response to appeals. To suggest that university funding requires a mixed economy is stating the obvious. However, to claim that *the private sector will play as* significant a role as the taxpayer is cloud-cuckoo-land, even for Oxford and Cambridge, unless we redefine the private sector to mean all those purchasing services from universities, including students, and start requiring the students to repay the cost of their higher education in some form.

I do not for one moment begrudge Oxford its success in finding private donors. I do not, however, find it helpful to be told by *The Times* that Birkbeck can model itself on this success.

Like many other university heads I started an appeal and have found it is not simply a question of having specific targets. We are privileged that Birkbeck is a unique British higher-education institution, which has been dedicated for 170 years to providing part-time higher education in the evening *for mature students* who have jobs in the day.

It is also a leading research institution in a large number of disciplines. The targets include funding for academic posts in new departments of management and business studies and law, and in specialisms such *as Japanese history and financial economics*: the improvement of laboratories, and the development of IT facilities; and a student endowment fund of £1.4 million to support students unable to pay their fees (part-time students are the only British students paying tuition fees out of taxed income who are also not eligible for either grants or loans).

After three and a half years the appeal has raised £5.7 million. Our modest target is £10 million. There have been some successes, but many potential donors have turned us down in spite of well-prepared papers setting out what is needed and personal visits.

The Times implies that if we ask for funds for projects in which people believe the money will flow in. Our appeal projects are clearly worthy of support but donors are bombarded from all sides with worthwhile projects seeking funding. All too often they are forced into difficult choices, and high-status institutions win out.

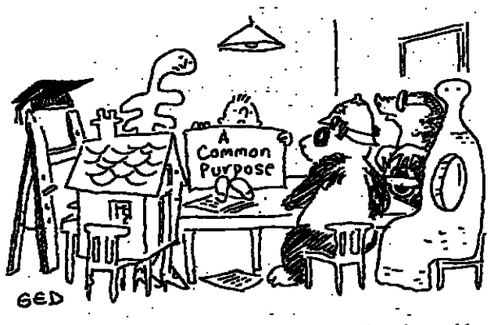
The Times believes that success will follow success. No institution has had more *success than Birkbeck in* providing continuing education at the highest level, with 22,000 students from all over London studying in our Centre for Extra Mural Studies and nearly 6,000 adults, studying for bachelors, master and PhD degrees. Yet an American foundation which gave Oxford university £8 million for continuing education turned my request for support down.

Oxford is an exception. The Times should recognise this and stop demoralising other universities by suggesting they only need to take a bit more initiative to follow suit.

● *The author is Master, Birkbeck College, University of London.*

Let's play governors

The community's structure and problems come to light in Common Purpose's courses for professionals



Governors, says Maggie Pringle, head teacher of west London's Holland Park comprehensive, are a difficult bunch. They want to come into classrooms and observe teaching in action. They decide which teachers should stay and which should go. For amateurs, they have a lot of power.

How suitable, then, that leading players from a cross-section of professions are getting the chance to run schools themselves. And finding it is not as easy as they thought.

The scheme is one of many *organised by the charity* Common Purpose, set up five years ago to run courses for top people and give them some idea of how their community fits together. At Thames Valley University in Ealing, west London, last week, prison governors, civil servants, stockbrokers and railwaymen sat down together and tried playing governor.

Pringle, one of three head teachers present, headed a varied group. It included the finance director of the Royal Academy of Arts, David Barker; a James Capel stockbroker, Patrick Houston; the manager of London Underground's Jubilee Line, Ben Harding; and a lone policeman, Hugh Orde. None was a *real-life governor*, and all started with strong opinions. Arvinda Gohil, for instance, the director of Southall's Inquilab Housing Association, believed the Government had eroded education: "Individual people *do not* feel they have any control any more."

Pringle acted as head for an imaginary, inner-city comprehensive with 700 pupils. In an hour, the *following problems* had to be addressed. Rumour had it that a neighbouring school was planning to introduce school uniform; local employers were unhappy with the quality of leavers; some teachers had suggested separate teaching groups for girls and boys; how should the cost of the large number of children with learning difficulties be covered? All required action.

On the question of school uniforms, Pauline Barrie, an art librarian, said: "You'll lose people to the other school if you don't have a uniform." Chairman Stephen Putman, a civil servant from the Government's London office, decided to defer action until the neighbouring school went ahead.

Unsatisfactory school leavers proved a thornier problem. Chris Yates, a Sainsbury's *store manager*, said his supermarket had a "lot of kids on work experience. They're monkeys. It's a real problem. The school is not interested." Pringle admitted that, at Holland Park, this was also a difficulty. "It's very difficult to get employers to take on kids, especially in a recession." So what to do? Putman, the mandarin, suggested that the head teacher submit a report to the governors on "the real problem". This was, Pringle said, true to life. She spluttered: "Typical governors! The head always goes away with more work!"

The same outcome emerged from the discussion on single-sex classes. Pringle kicked off by suggesting that it was not in the class's interest to widen the gulf between boys and girls. She added, however, that, in certain subjects, a split might be a benefit. This met with Putman's approval. He said: "I would support it, and so would our customers ... I mean parents."

The "governors", who had thus far behaved solicitously, turned to insults when discussing how to cover the cost of the disproportionate number of children with learning difficulties. Putman chose to find fault with the feeder primary schools. He said: "Surely we're expected to turn out kids who are meeting certain standards? If we're not, there must be a problem with the feeder schools."

This excited Barker, from the Royal Academy. His suggestion, "we should go upmarket and be selective about who we take", was corrected gently by Pringle, who reminded him of the meaning of "comprehensive".

Alison Coburn, Common Purpose's South of England regional director, explained that later this year Common Purpose will organise workshops and visits to schools and universities.

Pringle, for one, sounded pleasantly surprised at the progress of her embryonic governors. She said: "I was amazed by the speed with which they could see the political and social issues beneath the surface. Head teachers can be very manipulative and they need amateurs, with a clear view outside, to keep them in line."

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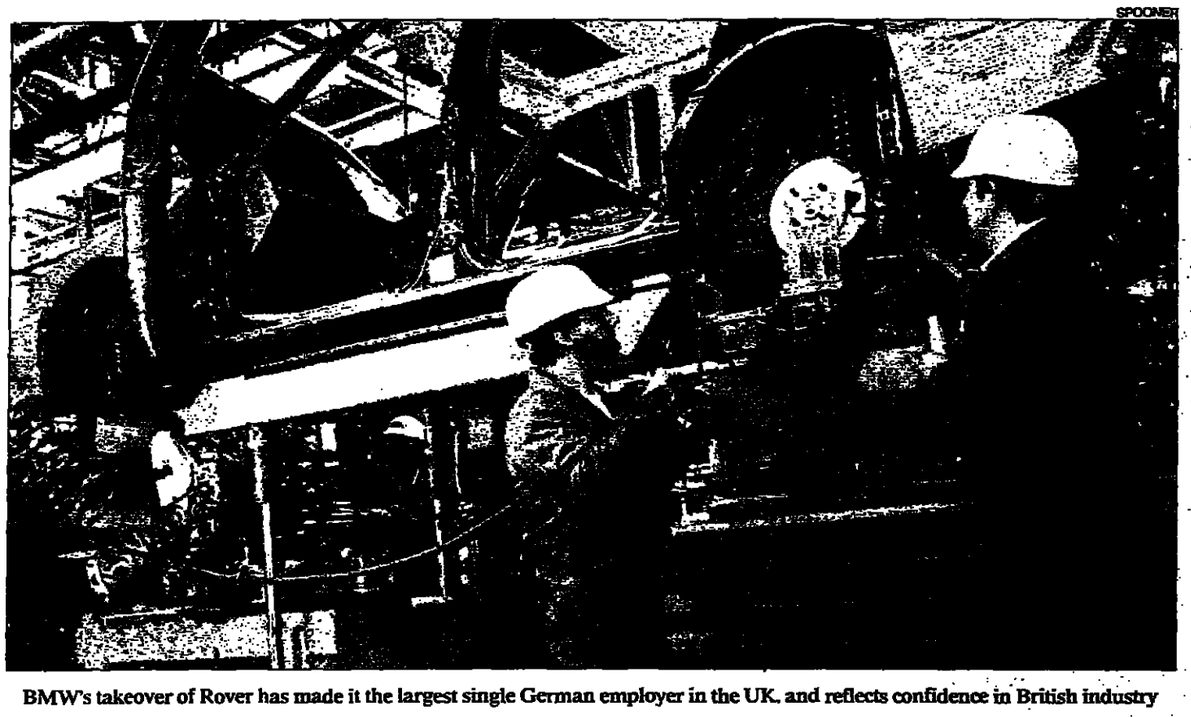
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Renewed drive for quality investments

Since the 1980s, German industrial involvement in Britain has increased hugely. Malcolm Brown reports that it is rising again



SPOONER

BMW's takeover of Rover has made it the largest single German employer in the UK, and reflects confidence in British industry

German industrialists see the recent takeover of Rover by BMW not as an invasion (clever German carmakers coming to show the British how to do things), but as a significant vote of confidence in the British motor industry and, more generally, in Britain as a whole.

BMW, which builds top-of-the-range vehicles, wanted a mass-production facility, and Rover fitted the bill very neatly. It had the right cars, the right management (all the signs are that the German company plans to leave the local management in place), and was in a country whose comparatively low labour costs and very much lower taxation make it a congenial place for German companies.

The BMW-Rover deal, concluded in March, makes BMW, at a stroke, the largest single German employer in the United Kingdom with more than 35,000 employees. Overall, German companies have now established about 1,000 subsidiaries in the UK, more than a quarter of them production plants, and the cumulative total for investment here since the first companies appeared in the early 1950s is more than DM27 billion (£11 billion).

That makes Germany the largest foreign investor in Britain after the United States. Astonishingly, DM25 billion of the DM27 billion has arrived since 1980, which shows that the Thatcherite reforms of the economy and industrial relations went down well in German boardrooms.

The overwhelming majority of German subsidiaries in the UK employ fewer than 50 people, but the bulk of the investment is attributable to a small number of major corporations: groups like Siemens, the electrical company, with 10,500 employees, Hoechst, the chemicals group, with 5,000, and other internationally known names like Bayer, BASF, Schering, AEG, Bosch and Mercedes-Benz.

Normally about 50 new companies a year are established. The number has been smaller over the past three or four years because German companies have concentrated so heavily on expanding into the eastern half of their reunified country, but that drive seems to have reached at least temporary saturation and the number choosing to invest in Britain is rising again.

The sheer size of the UK market is, of course an attraction. The UK is already Germany's fourth biggest export market, and our appetite for the sort of up-market goods the Germans make shows no signs of abating. If British customers are willing to pay a premium for high-quality goods made in Germany, companies argue, then the market is probably strong enough to sustain a UK-based operation.

The market aside, the main attractions for German investors are the low labour costs and taxation, and the comparative lack of government regulation of industry, according to Dr Bernd Atenstaedt, deputy director-general of the German-British Chamber of Industry and Commerce.

It is not that basic wages in Germany and the UK are all that different. But the cost of additional benefits — everything from health insurance to paid holidays — is much higher in Germany. For every DM100 the German employer pays in straight wages, says Dr Atenstaedt, he has to add another DM83 for benefits. In the UK, the benefit costs are nearer DM35 per DM100.

The difference is even more marked in taxes. German companies have to pay wealth tax and a very high level of corporation tax, and individuals face much more severe income tax than people in the UK.

When all these things are put together, they take a big bite out of profits.

The big difference between the two countries now is that Germany has a social-market economy while post-Thatcher Britain is still very much a free-market economy. German industry is highly regulated, British industry is comparatively free.

Paradoxically, however, while German industrialists are very keen to take advantage of the less highly-regulated atmosphere here, they find themselves, once they are established, beginning to import some of the German social ideas to the UK, perhaps because that is anyway the drift in Europe and the Germans are good Europeans.

Many of them have encouraged works councils, for example, which are required by law in Germany, but not in this country. They also tend to provide what are generally considered to be above-average working conditions and environments.

Used properly, of course, policies like improving social welfare provisions can improve productivity. The trick is to find the right balance: to use social benefits as a tool to improve productivity, but not allow them to become a burden.

While German investment has been a big plus for the British economy, the benefits are by no means uniformly spread geographically. The majority of firms are based in south-east England, particularly the London area and the M4 corridor west of London, and the Birmingham and Manchester areas.

There are still relatively few German companies in Wales, Scotland and the north-east of England, despite the various regional incentives available. The clear lesson is that, whatever the incentives, firms are reluctant to move into areas where the infrastructure, particularly transport, is not as well developed as it might be.

Firms are in a Catch-22 situation with regions like Wales, Dr Atenstaedt says. Cardiff airport, for instance, has no direct flights to Germany. "We've talked to Lufthansa and British Airways about that, and quite rightly they've said, 'if you can bring us the business, we'll start a link with Germany'." The trouble is the businessmen want the service before they will consider these locations.

BMW's buy is at one with history

The link between the nations' car industries is as old as the century

Surrounded by the gleaming metalwork of some of the most famous names in British motoring, at the Heritage Motor Centre at Gaydon, in Warwickshire, is a tiny car with the curious name of the Dixi. The car is actually an Austin Seven, and it is ironic that it should claim a place among the exhibits.

For the Dixi was the first car made by BMW under licence from what was then the huge motoring empire of Sir Herbert Austin, one of the world's most powerful industrial magnates. The model was presented to the Heritage Centre by Bernd Pichetsrieder, the chairman of BMW, on his first visit to survey his newly-acquired British industrial empire.

> The Germans have always been able to add style to efficiency

This demonstrated the fact that when BMW bought the Rover Group in one of the most sensational takeovers of the year, the relationship between the German and British motor industries came full circle.

The relationship goes back to the use of the Daimler brand-name — from Gottlieb Daimler, one of the founding fathers of the modern automobile — on British models at the turn of the century, a tradition that still exists today, with the name owned by Jaguar.

The German motor industry presents one of the biggest international groups in Britain. The five best-known names, Volkswagen, Audi, Mercedes-Benz, BMW and Porsche, account for about 9 per cent of all sales of new cars in this country, almost as many as the Japanese.

But where the Japanese built their success here on reliability standards that once astounded Western manufacturers, the Germans have always been able to call on style to add to engineering efficiency.

BMW has been one of the industry's style leaders, and its small but powerful 3-series cars have transformed the company's fortunes. Over the whole year so far, sales are up by 18.5 per cent, and could have been higher but for the fact that BMW is struggling to meet demand across the world for the 3-series.

Mercedes, too, has always enjoyed this image, and this year the company has seen a resurgence in demand for cars with the famous three-pointed star on the bonnet. If BMW's growth has been good, sales for Mercedes have been spectacular this year, up by 52.9 per cent.

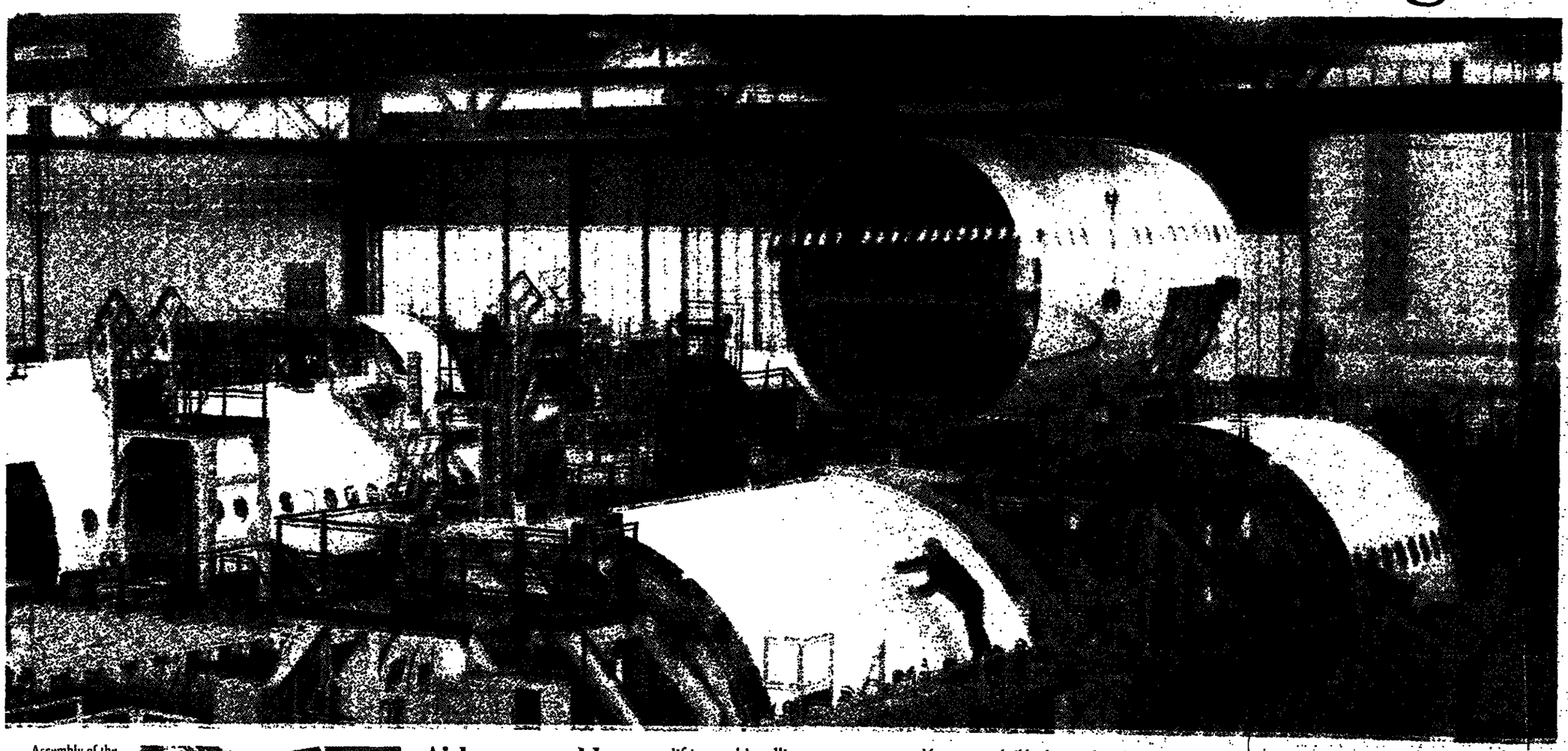
It is the Volkswagen Group, however, the company that invented the GTI, which spawned a generation of imitators, which is the biggest German player in this country. Volkswagen is Europe's biggest car company, and in the past few years has spread its tentacles so that it is not just the VW marque which represents the group's interests.

It also includes Audi, which has 1.25 per cent of the British new car market, Skoda (0.64 per cent) and Seat of Spain (0.70 per cent), in addition to the 4 per cent that Volkswagen itself takes, and that brings the group's share of the UK market to 6.5 per cent, and makes it the fifth biggest, coming behind Ford, Vauxhall, Rover and Peugeot, which all manufacture here.

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The power and the tools that build success

German firms continue to play a crucial role in our electrical goods industry, says Colin Narborough

The German electrical industry, which today is also electronic, can legitimately claim to have made a major contribution to the development of Britain's indigenous production.

Siemens, which was until the BMW takeover of Rover the largest German employer in the UK, with a workforce of almost 10,000, was certainly in at the beginning. The young Carl Wilhelm Siemens, a member of the dynasty that was to build up the Siemens empire, arrived in Britain in March, 1843. He was clinching business deals within weeks of reaching these shores, and was later to become a British citizen and be knighted as Sir William Siemens for his services to science.

But if Siemens has been part of Britain's electrical industry for more than 150 years, other German companies, like AEG, the electrical arm of Daimler Benz, are no new arrivals either. AEG's London subsidiary was set up in 1889. Bosch, which has a 50-50 joint venture with Siemens for domestic appliances, offering both parents' brands and Neff, has also had more than a century of active engagement in the British market.

Reflecting this long market presence, German electrical companies appear to have been less attracted to Britain by the relatively low pay levels and social costs, and reduced trade-union power, than other inward investors. The opening of the former communist bloc to Germany's east has given them easy access to much cheaper labour than anything deregulated Britain can offer, in addition to nearby Continental locations.

Nevertheless, Bosch's biggest single investment outside Germany so far has been the £100 million electronic component plant it opened near Cardiff in 1991. The company otherwise supplies the UK market with such familiar items as power tools manufactured abroad, but it exports some 80 per cent of the output from its Welsh plant. The choice of the Welsh location was driven primarily by the need to be close to Britain's Japanese carmakers, in keeping with Bosch's philosophy that it has to go where its customers are.

Bosch employs 2,220 people in Britain out of a worldwide workforce of 164,000. Turnover in Britain was DM1.2 billion (£500 million) last year, which was a fraction of the group total of DM32 billion, and illustrates the sheer size of Germany's leading industrial groups compared with the heavily-slimmed manufacturers of today's Britain.

> The total size of Siemens' United Kingdom workforce makes it a major operator in Britain in its own right

This comparison is particularly stark in the case of Siemens, whose UK workforce makes it a major operator in Britain in its own right. Based in Munich, the group had a total worldwide workforce last year of more than 391,000, with 48,000 committed to research and development (R&D) work. A recent survey of British companies' R&D spending noted that companies like Siemens, although not included in the survey, were probably among the leading R&D spenders in Britain.

The company has remained committed to innovation in this country since the days of Carl Wilhelm Siemens. Jürgen Gehrels, the head of Siemens in Britain, has said that, as a pioneer in electrical and electronic engineering, Siemens's future very much depends on innovation and its ability to generate new ideas and convert them into successful products and systems.

The company's R&D spending in Britain last year was £127 million, or some 10 per cent of its turnover. Work benefiting from this investment included the Mercury one2one mobile phone handset. Siemens' exports from Britain were £220 million, or 18 per cent of turnover. Products going to export covered a wide range, including air traffic control systems produced by its Plessey unit.

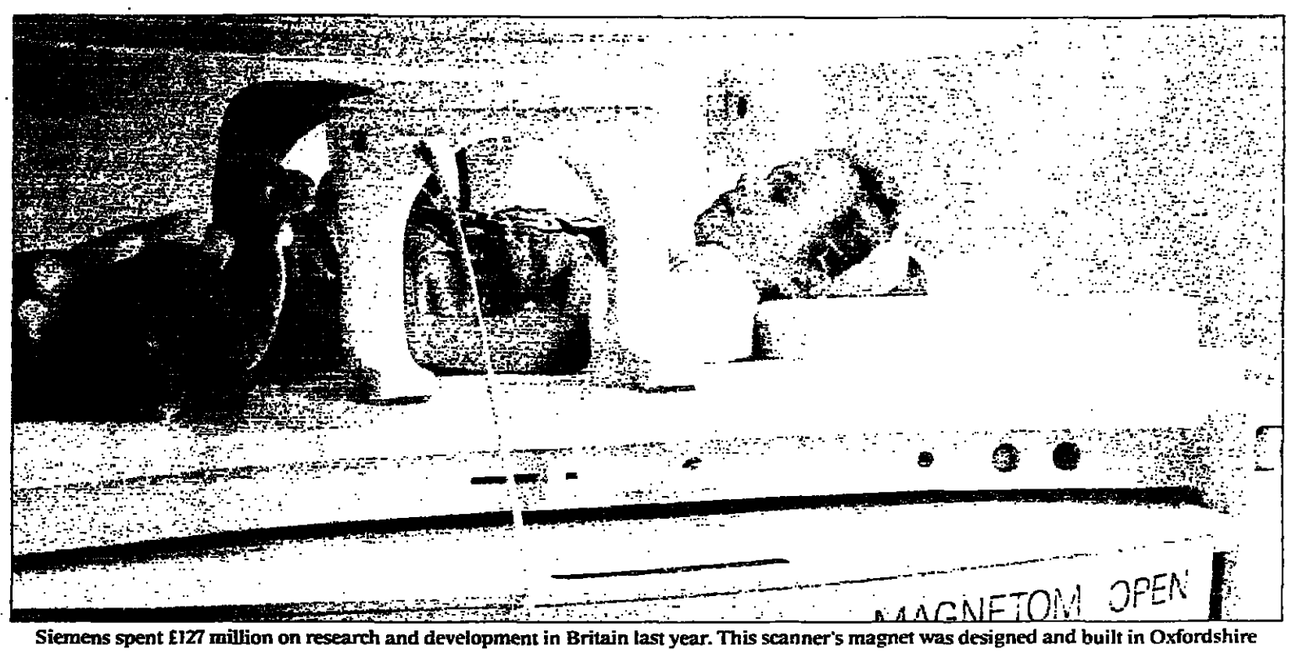
Siemens' automation systems in production industry and services are less visible to the consumer, as are the major power-generating plants it has started to provide to Britain's privatised electricity industry.

But in the lighting area, its Osram bulb brand is a household name, and its domestic appliances were last year able to lay claim to offering British consumers the first ozone-layer-friendly refrigerator.

Daimler Benz, the industrial conglomerate best known in Britain for Mercedes cars, also has a substantial presence in the electrical and electronics sector in Britain, even though the recent sale of its AEG domestic appliances business, to Electrolux of Sweden, has halved turnover from last year's £85 million. The UK workforce has also been cut from 550 to about 300.

Although less in the public eye after disposal, AEG continues to regard Britain as an important market. Its major UK company, based at Slough, focuses on industrial automation, railway systems and energy systems technology. These offer everything from systems for sorting letters at the Royal Mail to automatic warehousing for British Airways.

A significant symbol of German industry's presence here is the large liquid crystal display boards, made by AEG, which will meet passengers alighting from the Channel Tunnel trains at Waterloo.



Siemens spent £127 million on research and development in Britain last year. This scanner's magnet was designed and built in Oxfordshire

Bosch is leading the way for German car component makers, reports **Vaughan Freeman**

More than just accessories

German manufacturers of car components have now been an established presence in the United Kingdom for several years, drawn by the need to be close to their customers. The biggest is Bosch, which began producing compact alternators from its specially-built plant outside Cardiff in 1991, and now has customers that include Honda, Toyota, Nissan, Vauxhall and Ford in the UK, as well as BMW, Mercedes-Benz, VW/Audi and Opel abroad.

Three years on, the plant is now running flat out, for 24 hours a day, with its 800 staff working four six-hour shifts, and it has just produced its six-millionth alternator. Within a few months Bosch plans to boost production at the plant further to its maximum of five million alternators a year, and increase its workforce to 1,200.

During its few years in Britain, Bosch has become one of the UK's Top 100 exporters. It sent £93.5 million worth of sales abroad in 1992 and £97.5 million worth in 1993. This has come from a total investment of around £100 million, which in 1991 was the biggest ever by Bosch outside Germany.

The decision to move to South Wales has more than proved a success, says Peter Loweth, a Bosch spokesman. "We have been very, very pleased with the results in South Wales in terms of productivity, flexibility and quality."

He cites the effects of the Japanese "transplant" car-production industries, specifically Toyota in Derbyshire, Honda in Swindon and Nissan in Tyne and Wear, as helping Bosch by raising expectations, quality levels and delivery times among components suppliers and industry workers in the UK. The closeness of the South Wales factory to customers such as the Ford engine plant at Bridgend and the bulk of the UK car industry in the Midlands has also helped.

"We believed we had to be close to our customers, and to be able to supply them from a UK base," Mr Loweth says. "Also important was the availability of technological expertise among the workforce, which we found in South Wales, and the quality of work. And then there were the logistics of siting the plant where the infrastructure of road, rail and sea allows us access to mainland Europe also." Generous help from the South Wales Development Agency was the clinching factor.

> 'Technological expertise and quality of work were important to us, and we found them in South Wales'

If Bosch is the "new boy" of the German components manufacturers in the UK, then at the other end of the country is to be found one of the "old-timers", Uniroyal, bought in 1979 by the giant German Continental tyre-maker.

The sales slump in the motor industry since 1989 means that output from Uniroyal's Edinburgh production plant has been fairly static for the last year or so. Uniroyal is optimistic, however, and plans to spend DM6 million (£2.5 million) next year on investment and capital equipment, according to Howard Davies, the plant director, compared to just over DM2 million this year.

Uniroyal's Edinburgh plant turns out just under 4 million tyres each year, and has an annual turnover of between £75 million and £80 million. Customers include Ford, BMW and VW/Audi, but so far not Rover — a situation which Mr Davies confidently expects will change now that BMW, a Continental customer, has taken over the reins, and the purse strings, at Rover.

"The low-cost manufacturing base in Britain for Continental is very attractive compared with that in, say, France, Germany or Austria," he says.

Mr Davies says that with the car and truck tyre market in the UK, and indeed on the Continent, so "established and mature", it is difficult to break into new areas. Even so, he is pushing hard, and this year Uniroyal became the only UK-based tyre-manufacturer to sell tyres from Europe to Japan. It supplied tyres as original equipment to Nissan's Tokyo plant, a tribute to the firm's levels of quality and supply.

Bosch and Continental are by any standards among the "big boys", in the "first tier" of components suppliers, as the modern trade jargon has it. But Coopers & Lybrand, the automotive management consultants, point to the fact that "second-tier" German car components firms are also making their way to the UK.

Such smaller firms are either setting up independently or are being acquired by larger German firms, and Coopers & Lybrand believe the trend will continue. Brose, which makes such equipment as window-winding mechanisms, arrived in Coventry in 1988 and has recently been investing heavily. Keiper Recaro, the maker of car-seats, moved into the Midlands in 1991, and Hoechst, the chemicals giant, recently acquired Camford Engineering of South Wales, which makes suspensions, axles and braking systems.

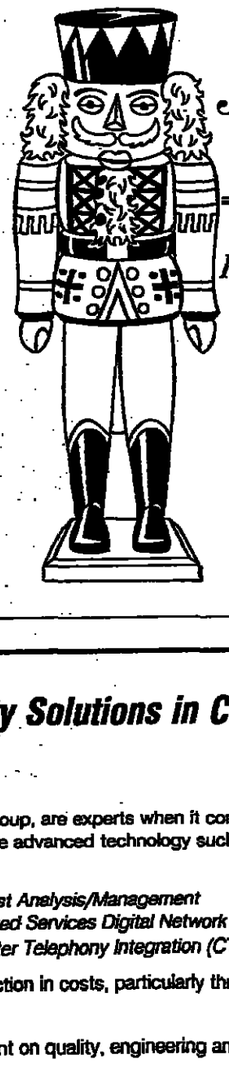
Other groups that have set up or made acquisitions in the UK in the last three years include Luk, the clutch-makers, ZF, which makes a range of products from gear-boxes and steering and suspension parts to universal joints, Happich Engineering, which makes plastic roof-rails, and Boge Kompressoren.

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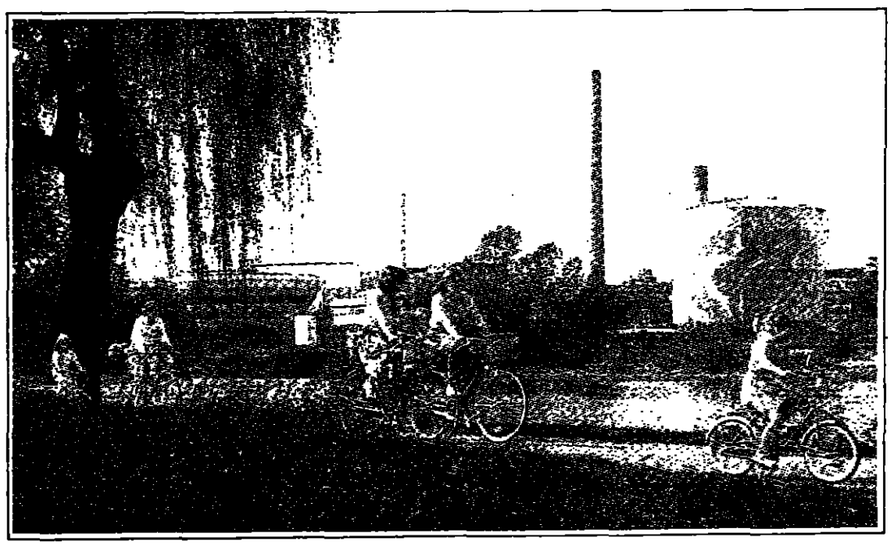
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Engineering friendships

David Rudnick finds British workers and German employers a good match

Germany has always been strong in mechanical engineering, and companies like Mannesmann, Linde and Jungheinrich are boosting their operations in Britain, either through expansion or acquisition.

Mannesmann plans to enlarge its car components manufacturing base. "Our production costs are lower here than in Germany," explains Matthew Houston, technical and sales director of Mannesmann Demag Material Handling. At the same time productivity is equal to German levels, he adds, while Britain offers a more flexible work environment.

Mr Houston finds it easier to hire and fire people, and move them around from one job to another, in Britain.

Linde is a relatively recent arrival, through its acquisition five years ago of Lansing Bagnall, the lifting and loading manufacturer. Since then, it has poured between £50 million and £60 million of new investment into the company, in Basingstoke, Hampshire.

Jungheinrich has made the most recent move, with its acquisition in May of Lancer Boss, lift-truck maker, for a reported £17-£20 million, which rescued the company from receivership and injected a fresh new management style. Bob Bischof, chairman of the renamed Boss Group, told *The Engineer* magazine: "Previously it had been run on authoritarian lines. Now there are regular meetings with union representatives."

Mr Bischof sees management's role as caring for the workforce as well as shareholders: "They need profit. Employees need job security and decent pay." Replacing the old system of supervisors by employees certifying their own work has already increased output and quality, he says. Mr Bischof is planning to invest up to £8 million to modernise the Boss Group's manufacturing site at Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire.

One view is that a continuing lack of capital investment in Britain is delaying recovery in the engineering sector. "There's no significant upturn, and profits have yet to filter through," says Mr Houston. Others sound a more upbeat note. Ian Morris, managing director at Linde Hydraulics, sees "a growth trend after a tough couple of years".

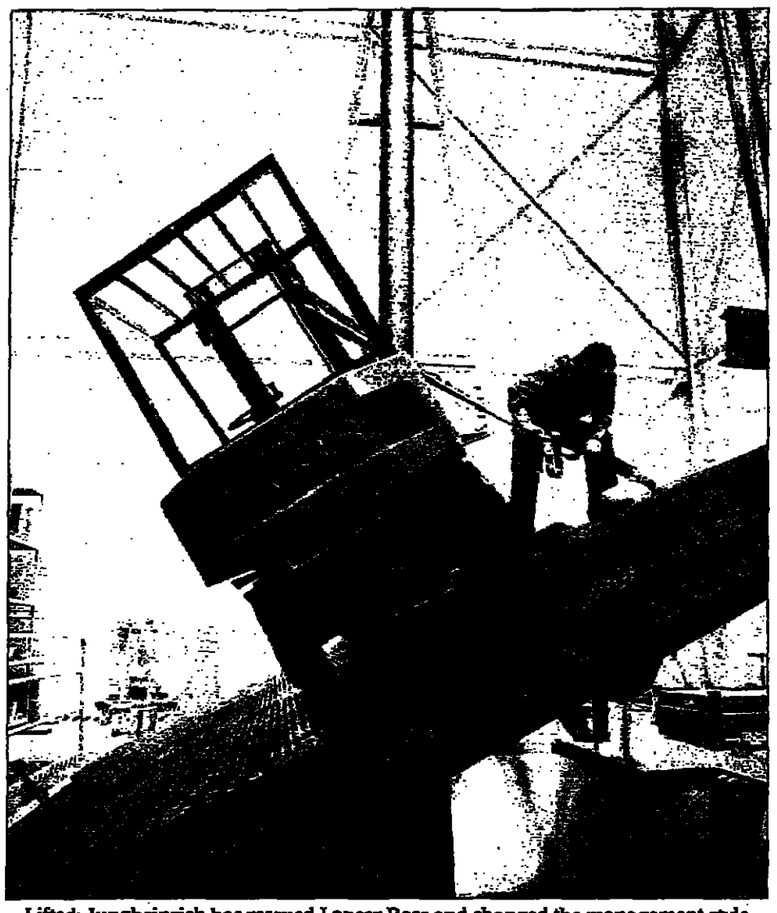
Klaus Schenk, Jungheinrich's UK managing director, who is based in Manchester, also reports improved market volumes and sales opportunities as the country emerges from recession. "Demand here is strengthening while the Continent, especially Germany, remains weak," he says.

All complain of the higher cost of importing parts from Germany as sterling has weakened against the Deutschmark.

Because of its lower production costs, Britain is to some extent used by the German companies as a platform for re-exporting. Mr Houston estimates that 60 per cent to 70 per cent of the hydraulics components produced at Mannesmann's Rexroth plant in Glenrothes, Fife, are exported. Herr Schenk says that Jungheinrich UK also makes a positive net contribution to Britain's external trade balance. "We mainly re-export to Germany, but also to other Continental markets, including eastern Europe."

By contrast, Boss Group is aiming its export drive at the United States, hoping to fill the market gap left by Japanese competitors hit by the strong yen.

The domestic UK market is viewed with guarded optimism in the long term. Linde reports an unexpectedly sharp rise in orders this year, but even now business is only recovering to levels reached in 1989-90. Nevertheless, the company is starting to recruit more staff, replacing those dismissed in the recession.



Lifted: Jungheinrich has rescued Lancer Boss and changed the management style

How close can we get?

Collaboration works, but experts see a managerial culture clash

Anglo-German joint ventures are not common, but one recent one has made a good start. When Gooding Consumer Electronics, the Cardiff-based company, and the German Grundig Group formed a joint-venture company, Grundig Satellite Communications (GSC), in March, they predicted it would produce one million satellite television receivers a year within three years, and get 30 per cent of the United Kingdom market. It would also, they said, be a player on the Continent and in Asia.

In the event, after only six months it has already taken 15 per cent of the UK market, and the German company likes the new arrangement so much that receivers for the German market itself and for the rest of the Continent are now being sourced from GSC's plant in Llantrisant, Glamorgan.

Gooding already had a proven track record as a contract manufacturer to the electronics industry, and expertise in satellites. What Grundig provided was an immediately recognisable household name.

The attraction for Grundig, according to Johan van Splunter, a member of the company's board of directors, was that Gooding had something which Grundig did not: the capacity to manufacture value-for-money satellite receivers specifically for the UK market.

Grundig also liked the fact that Gooding was a small, lean and hungry organisation.

One of the most high-profile Anglo-German joint ventures of recent years is BMW Rolls-Royce, set up in 1990 to develop the BR 700 series of aero-engines for large executive jets and regional airliners. BMW has 50.5 per cent of the company, Rolls 49.5 per cent.

Although much of the design work was done in the UK, and about a third of the components are sourced here, the bulk of the work is done in Germany.

Even when there are 50/50 joint ventures located in the UK, they usually end with one or other partner eventually assuming a majority stake, says Dr Bernd Ateństaedt, deputy director-general of the German-British Chamber of Industry and Commerce. Dr Atenstaedt thinks the signal lack of equal partnerships may well have to do with differences in culture and the way that the British and the Germans think.

The management styles of the two nationalities are more different than many people imagine, he says. British managers see their job as motivating their subordinates, but not getting too involved in the detail of any particular project.

The German manager, by contrast, tends to get thoroughly involved, to see himself as part of a team.

Dr Atenstaedt's observations about management style are backed up by a recent report published by the Anglo-German Foundation. "The Germans primarily see themselves as experts in whatever field they're in," says the report's co-author, Dr Rosemary Stewart, emeritus fellow in organisational behaviour at Templeton College, Oxford.

"The British don't think they should get involved in the work, and see themselves as primarily being there for 'people management'."

Dr Stewart believes, however, that the two sides can learn to understand one another better.

MALCOLM BROWN

Industrial relations and environmental rules are attracting new investment

The chemistry is right

German companies, led by Hoechst, Bayer and BASF, account for around seven per cent of the UK chemical industry's £32 billion annual turnover, and their share is rising. Dr Bernd Atenstaedt, deputy director-general of the German-British Chamber of Industry and Commerce, expects more German investment to come in as the German companies' drive to build up their presence in eastern Germany is accomplished, and they start looking west again as well as east.

One factor attracting German chemical companies to Britain may be a more flexible and less prescriptive approach to environmental control. David Culpin, director of external policy at the UK Chemical Industries' Association, explains: "We're no less rigorous than the Germans, but where their legislation lays down maximum quantities of an effluent that may be emitted, the British approach is more qualitative and goal-oriented: can the Mersey or the Dee cope with what they're getting?"

He believes this leaves companies more scope for innovation. "So the Germans find it a more sensible regime to work in."

Arno Balzer, chairman of Hoechst UK, agrees. "Britain's environmental standards are similar to Germany's," he says, "but applications for new chemical plants are handled more pragmatically and with less bureaucracy here."

Increasingly, though, the European chemical industry is being run along transnational lines, and the German giants are not alone in reorganising their operations accordingly. Herr Balzer says Hoechst's rationalisation plans, due for implementation next year, are at the top of its agenda. "Decentralisation is the keynote, but restructuring as a whole will make us much more cost-effective."

Hoechst has merged its agrochemical business in a 60-40 joint venture with Schering, setting up a new company, AgrEvo, near Cambridge earlier this year. In its latest move, two weeks ago, Hoechst merged its pharmaceutical business with Roussel, adding to the industry's concentration. As a result, Herr Balzer foresees Hoechst's UK sales turnover rising well above its present level of £800 million a year.



Die cast: all the major German companies report good results

BASF's profile in Britain rose dramatically in the 1980s, largely through company acquisition. Its latest move, in March, was to acquire ICI's polypropylene production facilities at Wilton, on Teesside. The acquisition came at the right time: polypropylene sales have risen by 10 per cent so far this year.

BASF is well entrenched around Middlesbrough. Its synthetic raw materials plant at Seal Sands is an important exporting base which contributes strongly to the company's £700 million annual turnover in the UK.

All three German chemical majors report encouraging results for their UK operations for the first half of this year. Bayer's turnover is running at an annual rate of over £700 million, and its profits have rebounded, though cutbacks in UK healthcare expenditure have not helped business. BASF reports an overall 10 per cent increase in sales, led by plastics and fibres. At Hoechst, Herr Balzer reports UK sales up by over 20 per cent to September 1994, led by core chemicals.

Asked about the pluses and minuses of operating in Britain, Herr Balzer cites harmonious industrial relations as a definite plus. "The workforce here has been totally maligned," he says. On the downside, he tentatively mentions high energy costs.

Dr Atenstaedt finds complaints centre on two areas. One is the lack of a coordinated transport infrastructure policy. He contrasts Germany's extensive rail network, and its direct links to industrial plants, with Britain's paucity of such rail connections. BASF's UK managing director, Barry Stickings, adds: "While local infrastructure is generally very good, Britain lacks a long-term strategy for an integrated rail and road network."

The other area of complaint is in training facilities. "Sending employees to Germany for training is expensive," Dr Atenstaedt says. There, the government finances sandwich courses at workplace and college, and German companies would welcome greater commitment by the British government.

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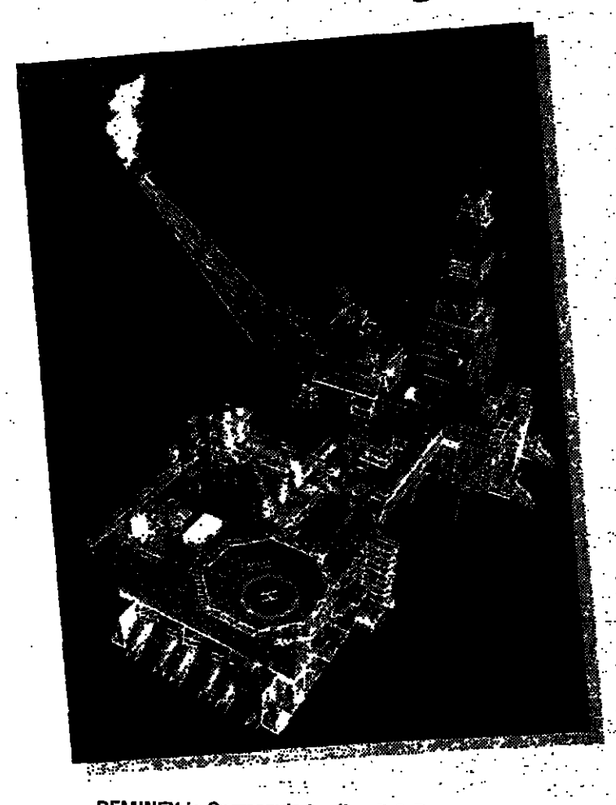
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Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
5,326.70	Abbey Ntl	406	-3	...	4.8	13.6
1,626.60	Allied Irish	244	-9	...	5.2	9.4
2,289.30	Aus New Z	172	-2	...	5.2	27.3
9,450.80	Bamkamerica	2700	-175	...	...	...
1,208.70	Bk of Ireland	275	-10	...	4.7	8.0
2,334.00	Bank Scotland	200 †	...	...	3.3	11.3
9,317.90	Barclays	572	+6	...	3.6	12.2
20.30	Carlisle	24½	-½	...	1.3	...
156.80	Cater Allen	481	-12	...	7.3	9.9
175.70	Cattles	129¼	-7½	...	5.1	14.5
4,002.10	Chase Manh	2212½	+6½	...	...	...
10,851.20	Citicorp	2787½	+56½	...	...	...
213.20	Close Bros	236 †	...	...	4.0	∞
4,307.20	Commerzbk	£128½	-29½	...	6.4	...
14,280.90	Deutsche Bk	£300	+46½	...	2.3	...
109.70	First Ntnl Fin	65	-5	...	2.9	...
30,443.10	Fuji Bank Y	1361½	-30	...	0.4	∞
217.70	Gerrard Ntl	448	-12	22.0	6.1	12.9
6,016.60	HSBC	707 †	-16	...	4.3	10.2
12,407.50	HSBC HK	709 †	-31	...	4.3	10.3
388.70	Hambros	220	-13	...	8.5	9.0
22.00	Joseph (L)	418	...	...	5.0	12.2
20.00	King Shaxson	115	...	...	9.8	11.4
621.60	Kleinwort Ben	466	+2	...	5.2	8.2
7,063.20	Lloyds	545	-22	...	5.5	10.7
70.30	Lon Scot Bk	116	-1	...	3.8	17.6
6,371.80	Nat Aust Bk	476	+3	...	5.6	10.6
8,136.50	Nat West	489	-15	...	5.0	9.1
701.60	Provident	514 †	...	...	4.2	16.7
24.00	Rea Bros	61	...	...	1.9	17.1
3,364.20	Ryl Bk Scot	420	+5	...	3.6	19.0
1,363.00	Schroders	1363	+10	...	1.7	12.5
2,686.80	Stand Chart	279 †	-1	...	2.9	9.6
3,383.50	TSB	221	+5½	...	4.6	11.1
27.10	Union	102	-1	...	5.5	9.4
1,392.60	Warburg SG	633	-20	...	4.3	7.7
4,958.10	Wells Fargo	8950	-425	...	3.0	...
3,913.60	Westpac	215	...	...	2.5	∞
19.10	Wintrust	225	-25	...	5.7	15.0

BREWERIES

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
5,927.00	Allied Domecq	576	-13	...	4.8	14.1
4,661.80	Bass	534	-2	...	4.9	14.0
311.70	Boddington	257 †	+5	...	4.0	13.8
233.00	Bulmer (HP)	419	...	...	3.2	24.1
38.90	Burtonwd Brw	187	...	...	3.3	15.6
32.30	Eldridge P 'A'	166	...	...	2.7	23.0
1,802.60	Fosters Brewing	56	...	...	4.8	∞
77.50	Fullr Sm 'A'	380	...	...	2.6	15.7
8,423.40	Grand Met	404	-20	...	4.1	17.5
869.40	Greenalls Grp	416	+2	...	3.8	15.9
224.60	Greene King	531	+9	...	3.0	14.8
9,293.80	Guinness	461 †	+1	...	3.5	15.2
66.00	Hardy Hanson	304	...	...	4.2	13.5
3.48	Heavitree	150	...	...	3.4	13.5
531.70	Highland Distl	418	-15	...	2.2	18.8
109.50	Holt J	3650 †	...	...	1.7	20.5
254.00	Macallan-Glen	218 †	-3	...	0.7	57.1
79.50	Macdn Mrtn 'A'	685	...	...	1.8	28.2
150.00	Mansfield	334	+1	...	2.4	14.3
277.20	Mrston Thmp	208	...	...	2.4	16.0
132.90	Matthew Clark	583	-7	...	4.1	13.8
13.80	Mrrydwn W	114	-1	...	2.7	...
111.20	Morland	515	...	...	2.4	17.2
7.79	Paramount	7½	-½	...	3.2	∞
38.90	Regent Inns	264 †	+3	...	2.6	∞
3,999.50	SA Breweries	1440½	+150	...	1.8	23.5
2,790.10	Scot & New	515	+6	...	4.7	15.3
172.90	Taunton Cider	158	-3	...	5.2	12.1
332.20	Vaux Group	238	-1	...	5.0	15.3
148.10	Wetherspoon JD	409	-8	...	2.0	∞
2,860.80	Whitbread	547	+1	...	4.3	15.9
348.50	Wolvrhmptn D	524	-16	...	3.1	14.7
64.00	Yates Bros	165	-1	...	2.3	20.4
14.50	Young 'A'	498	-2	...	3.8	19.1

BUILDING, ROADS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
58.10	Abbey	150	...	...	4.4	10.9
11.60	Albrighton	16	...	...	3.9	15.3
54.70	Allen	169	...	...	3.9	20.0
204.20	Amec	101 †	+½	...	3.7	58.3
137.90	Ashtead	458	+11	...	1.5	29.0
32.60	Attwoods	114	-1	...	5.5	...
1,551.50	BPB Ind	310	-4	...	3.3	20.9
50.80	Baggeridge Brk	128	-1	...	3.1	24.2
3.66	Bailey (Ben) Con	35	...	...	2.5	21.4
6.92	Barcom	37	+1	...	5.9	4.4
207.70	Bardon	37½	-1½	...	6.7	...
310.00	Barratt Devs	171 †	-11	...	4.4	∞
379.10	Beazer Homes	135 †	-4	...	5.0	10.6
187.80	Bellway	192	-4	...	4.8	18.0
18.10	Bellwinch	40	-½	...	...	35.2
296.70	Berisford Intl	192	-3	...	...	...
295.30	Berkeley Gp	381	-16	...	2.3	15.8
26.10	Bett Bros	174	-1	...	2.0	8.7
16.40	Blockleys	66 †	...	...	1.7	...
2,067.50	Blue Circle	284 †	-10	...	5.0	20.2
65.20	Boot (Henry)	250	...	...	3.3	12.6
10.00	Brandon Hire	71 †	+1	...	2.6	∞
25.60	Breedon PLC	90 †	-3	...	6.4	25.8
24.00	Br Dredging	137	...	...	5.2	16.2
21.40	Brit Ftings	90 †	...	...	3.1	...
341.80	Bryant	123 †	-9	...	5.1	13.8
50.70	CALA	118 †	...	...	3.0	16.3
1,240.40	CRH	353	-4	...	2.7	17.9
2.26	Cakebread Rby	43	...	...	...	...
117.80	Costain	22½	-½	...	...	...
96.90	Countryside	127	-4	...	4.0	28.2
83.40	Crest Nicholson	84	-1	...	2.4	15.6
19.20	Cussins	108 †	-1	...	3.0	13.0
10.70	Edmond Hldgs	21 †	-½	...	1.8	...
68.00	Epwin	315 †	-2	...	3.1	18.7
31.30	Erith	66 †	-3	...	2.7	37.2
32.10	Eve Group	328	...	...	4.2	13.4
25.30	Galliford	28½	-1	...	4.4	...
1.57	Gibbs & Dandy	90	-2	...	3.8	...
84.80	Gleeson (MJ)	840	+2	...	2.1	∞
190.20	Graham Grp	166 †	-6½	...	3.5	15.9
348.20	Hewden-Stuart	152 †	-½	...	2.4	17.5
7.07	Hewetson	76	+6	...	2.1	...
275.20	Heywd Wlm	287 †	-11	...	5.9	16.2
62.20	Higgs & Hill	94 †	-2	...	3.3	...
15.80	How Gp	38 †	+2	...	2.5	...
6.14	Howard Hldgs	24	...	...	4.2	22.4
142.60	Ibstock	77 †	-3	...	1.8	...
3.34	Jarvis	9½	...	...	...	...
62.20	Keller	111 †	-2	...	4.2	12.9
109.00	Laing (J)	238 †	+8	...	4.7	21.5
39.30	Laing 6.4% Cv Pf	98 †	+3	...	8.2	...
11.30	Lon Clydeside	125	...	...	4.2	17.3
29.60	Lovell (YJ)	74	-4	...	...	...
123.50	Manders	311 †	+5	...	4.0	15.1
389.80	Marley	136 †	-3	...	3.9	16.1
175.00	Marshalls	143	-1	...	3.7	17.5
55.50	Maunders (J)	222	...	...	3.1	∞
137.50	McAlpine (A)	199 †	-18	...	4.1	29.2
56.00	McCarthy & S	57	...	...	1.1	...
478.80	Meyer Int	380	-13	...	3.6	16.0
187.70	Mowlem (J)	107½	-3½	...	2.3	...
62.40	NSM	10½	-1	...	...	12.0
189.80	Newman Tnks	157 †	...	...	5.1	19.8
249.70	Persimmon	214	-15	...	3.4	16.0
4.18	Phoenix Timber	12	-1	...	...	...
17.00	Pochins	1631½	...	...	2.5	∞
101.60	Prowting	131	...	...	3.2	40.3
1,922.70	RMC Gp	976 †	+4	...	3.7	20.2
100.40	Raine Ind	55 †	-2	...	6.8	∞
4.56	Rasmus	19	-2	...	...	...
2,298.90	Redland	464 †	-15	...	6.7	31.5
14.70	Roskel	98 †	-½	4.3	5.5	...
749.90	Rugby Group	118 †	-7	...	3.7	14.9
181.80	SIG	247 †	-2	...	2.8	19.8
5.13	Secure Retire	51	...	...	...	...
9.87	Svrfld-Rve	63 †	...	0.7	1.5	28.6
36.20	Sharpe & Fisher	175 †	+2	...	3.1	12.8
38.40	Sherif Hldgs	365	...	...	1.5	24.3
6.14	Shorco	110 †	+3½	...	4.9	9.6
23.50	Smart (J)	233	...	...	4.6	20.1
4.20	Starmin	1½	...	...	...	...
1,156.80	Tarmac	126 †	-4	...	5.5	...
52.60	Tay Homes	180 †	+2	...	4.5	∞
906.30	Taylor Woodrw	121 †	...	...	1.8	29.6
190.30	Tilbury Dougls	563 †	+8	...	7.3	43.2
5.75	Torex Hire	56	...	...	2.0	29.2
304.40	Travis Perkins	297 †	+2	...	3.5	18.3
15.00	Trencherwood	18	+2	...	...	...
16.60	Try Group	24 †	-1	...	2.6	...
2.62	Tudor	34	...	...	1.3	...
52.60	Vibroplant	114	+1½	...	3.9	30.1
79.40	Walnhomes	127½	-1½	...	4.1	13.8
31.50	Ward Hldgs	60	...	...	1.0	...
1.32	Waterhouse	53	-2	...	...	...
111.70	Watts Blake	535 †	-3	...	2.9	20.1
104.40	Westbury	157	-3	...	4.2	17.5
29.00	Wiggins	6½	-½	...	...	...
326.90	Wilson Bowdn	350 †	-5	...	3.4	15.6
345.40	Wilson (C)	182 †	-9	...	2.9	15.1
523.30	Wimpey G	145 †	-5	...	4.5	21.7
2.12	YRM	16	-1	...	...	...

BUSINESS SERVICES

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
983.10	ADT	708	-2	...	...	...
20.90	Adam & Harvey	488	+13	...	3.8	6.7
5.76	Air London	65	...	...	6.9	∞
3.75	African Lakes	57	...	...	1.1	...
92.10	Amlo Sec	77	-11	...	...	10.0
981.60	BET Ord	105	-3½	...	3.9	17.5
39.80	BNB Res	186	-1	...	3.4	21.5
56.00	BPP	213 †	-1	...	5.2	15.2
37.40	BSM	134 †	...	...	6.0	11.4
31.10	Barbour Index	184	...	...	5.8	∞
5.18	Black & Edg	1	...	...	...	...
43.20	Brit Data Mgt	172 †	-7	...	3.8	∞
4.14	Broadcastle	2½	...	...	4.8	12.4
6.99	Brooks Service	58	-4	...	3.8	...
60.50	CRT Gp	90	...	...	4.5	22.1
48.30	Capita Group	162	-1	...	2.2	20.6
26.80	Casket Plc	28½	-2	...	4.8	9.7
23.70	Chiltern Capital	25½	-½	...	...	...
9.36	Christie	40	...	...	...	...
881.10	Chubb Sec	315	...	...	2.5	19.4
32.90	Corp Services	59	+½	...	0.5	22.2
16.50	Coutts Cnslng	55	+3	...	0.9	...
24.80	Dart	162	-4	...	2.9	17.3
254.30	Davis Service	229 †	-2	...	4.4	15.4
17.50	EW Fact	96 †	...	...	6.4	7.2
19.60	Gardiner	18½	-½	...	5.1	8.7
1,105.70	Hays	273 †	-10½	...	2.8	18.6
154.30	Hogg Robinson	223	-2	...	4.0	15.6
10.10	Holmes Protectn	33	...	...	...	1.4
9,655.90	Hutch Whamp	267½	-17	...	2.0	19.8
488.40	ISS B DKr	1881½	+15½	...	5.6	2.0
2,230.20	Inchcape	420 †	-21	...	4.5	14.0
30.20	JBA Hldgs	140 †	-1	...	2.1	14.2
126.00	Johnson Clean	255	-1	...	5.3	10.3
50.70	Lep	5½	...	...	...	...
45.90	Mitie Gp	189	+10	...	1.5	22.1
1,123.40	Manpower	1781½	-77½	...	0.7	...
66.40	Michael Page	111 †	-1	...	2.6	27.3
49.50	Parity	135 †	...	...	2.1	35.3
4.05	Penna	84	...	...	6.0	...
52.10	Proudfoot	66 †	-2	...	6.6	11.3
33.10	RCO	310	+10	...	6.1	10.7
10.90	REA	135	+3	...	5.6	27.9
84.50	Reed Executive	165	-2	1.0	0.8	...
34.00	Reliance Sec	151	+1	...	3.9	∞
2,217.80	Rentokil	227 †	-6	...	1.7	23.4
22.70	Rolfe & Nolan	187	...	...	2.7	29.1
773.50	Salvesen (C)	287	+8	...	3.8	13.9
6.81	Scott Pickford	58	-1	...	1.9	∞
79.40	Select App	14	...	...	...	...
171.10	Serco Gp	278	...	...	1.6	26.2
6.10	Sherwd Cmp	100	-8	...	4.0	15.5
63.50	Sketchley	99	...	...	...	∞
21.90	Unipalm	108	+1	...	...	...
77.80	Warner Howrd	327	...	...	2.8	15.5
31.60	Wills Gp	18 †	-2	...	3.5	10.1

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
716.40	Allied Colloids	136	...	...	2.2	21.8
559.10	Amersham	969	-19	...	2.0	20.3
18.40	Anglo Utd	2	...	...	...	...
7,262.90	BASF DM	£124½	-690½	...	3.6	...
402.00	BTP	398	...	...	4.2	18.0
9,436.50	Bayer DM50	£162½	-037½	...	6.4	...
83.30	Blagden	115	-2	...	1.6	53.6
78.10	Brent Chems	116	-1	...	4.3	...
253.90	Brit Bimech	587	+44	...	...	...
3.58	Calrd Gp	6½	...	...	...	17.4
51.50	Canning (W)	182 †	-1	...	5.0	30.8
1,769.20	Courtaulds	438	-20	...	4.2	35.4
477.80	Croda	361 †	-3	...	3.0	15.5
14.50	Doefics	137	-1	...	4.2	15.3
221.00	Ellis & Everard	286	-2	...	3.6	19.7
19.10	Farm Colour	60	+1	...	2.4	21.4
112.40	Halstead (J)	376 †	...	...	2.5	∞
262.10	Hickson	198 †	-2	...	0.7	13.4
2,772.30	Hoechst	£131½	-487½	...	5.6	...
224.90	Holliday Chem	277	...	...	2.5	17.7
4,693.60	ICI	814	+21½	...	4.2	65.8
349.90	Laporte	704	-13	...	3.5	17.8
124.70	Leigh	189	-3	...	5.5	17.3
30.10	MTM	81	-2	...	0.8	...
4,728.80	Norsk Hydro	2550	-21½	...	1.3	∞
113.30	Paterson Zch	657	-25	...	3.8	∞
112.10	Paterson Zch 'A'	644	-25	...	4.0	∞
82.30	Plysu	173	-7	...	5.1	24.7
44.20	Porvair	285 †	...	...	1.9	21.5
19.20	Sutclffe Speak	34	-5	...	1.8	30.2
102.30	Wardle Storeys	411	+6	...	5.2	21.5
58.10	Wolstnhlme R	785 †	...	...	3.0	16.4
180.00	Yorks Chem	393	-4	...	2.6	17.0
283.90	Yule Catto	285 †	-5	...	2.9	21.7
7,053.90	Zeneca	841 †	-17	...	4.1	16.9

DRAPERY, STORES

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
226.80	Alders	230	+6	...	3.5	16.4
986.70	Argos Plc	329 †	+13½	...	3.2	17.3
161.40	Ashley (Laura)	70 †	-½	...	0.2	...
108.10	Asprey	135	-1	...	5.6	6.7
74.80	Austin Reed	242 †	-1	...	2.8	12.2
64.00	Beattie (J) 'A'	137 †	...	...	5.7	17.9
52.80	Bentalls	126 †	...	...	2.0	43.7
54.60	Benetwrn	53	-2	...	6.7	5.8
10.80	Blacks Leis	34	-1	...	8.5	...
475.60	Body Shop	230	+3	...	1.2	30.2
5,548.80	Boots	532	-3	...	3.5	21.0
21.20	Brown & Jackson	3½	...	...	...	...
335.80	Brown (N)	230	-12	...	2.3	20.3
942.10	Burton	67	+2½	...	3.7	...
23.10	Cantors	153 †	-7	...	3.5	∞
54.00	Church	900 †	...	...	3.2	25.5
17.20	Clinton Cards	101 †	-½	...	5.8	14.7
1,572.50	Coats Viyella	197	-22	...	5.3	18.8
16.90	Ctry Casuals	88	-4	...	6.1	9.0
171.60	Courts Furnish	130	...	...	1.0	27.2
2.73	Crown Eye	170	...	...	7.0	7.4
1,285.40	Dairy Farm Intl	79½	-3	...	4.4	11.5
157.00	Dewhirst (IJ)	124 †	...	...	1.7	17.5
771.10	Dixons Grp	194	-7½	...	4.3	20.6
10.10	EBA Gp	8	-½	...	...	...
11.60	Eclipse Blinds	8½	-½	...	2.8	...
6.96	Ellys (Wmbldn)	580	...	...	3.8	27.2
21.30	Essex Furn	186	+4	...	2.6	29.8
189.60	Etam	289	+8	...	3.4	15.9
369.00	Fine Art Dev	463	-3	14.3	3.9	14.3
3.82	Fired Earth	67	-1	...	...	...
17.00	Formminster	149	-1	...	2.7	∞
39.00	French Conn	244	...	...	...	10.3
24.90	Gent SR	69 †	-1	...	4.1	∞
27.20	Goldsmiths Gp	124	+5	...	1.9	22.1
5,683.60	GUS	560 †	-3	...	2.9	16.5
37.70	Hamleys	165	+1	...	3.6	15.9
3.44	Hampden Grp	23 †	...	...	5.4	66.3
48.50	Hartstone	15	-½	...	2.7	...
5.75	Honeysuckle	69	...	...	4.5	10.3
452.30	Hse of Fraser	197 †	-7	...	3.2	17.2
18.30	Hughes (TJ)	89	-2	...	3.6	14.5
18.00	Jacques Vert	189	-1	...	3.6	16.7
3,214.90	Kingfisher	482 †	-11	...	3.9	12.7
23.20	Leslie Wise Gp	87	...	...	7.5	14.1
76.20	Liberty	340 †	...	...	1.8	...
365.90	Lloyds Chem	309	-6	...	3.9	9.7
814.00	MFI	140	...	...	3.6	17.5
11,737.50	Marks Spencer	421	+1½	...	2.7	19.6
277.40	Menzies (John)	499 †	-16	...	3.0	12.3
57.50	Moss Bros	338	...	...	2.6	16.5
912.60	Next	245	...	...	3.5	14.9
23.80	Oliver (G)	94½	...	...	...	29.2
141.20	Oriflame Intl	264	-11	...	4.9	12.0
55.40	Pentos	10½	...	...	...	...
66.40	QS Hldgs	168 †	-½	...	3.9	18.4
19.30	Rhino Grp	23	...	...	2.7	21.9
27.70	Rosebys	140	...	...	4.2	16.4
100.00	Sherwood Gp	92 †	-½	...	4.1	9.1
1,628.60	Sears	109½	+2½	...	4.3	18.2
67.40	Signet Group	23	-½	...	...	7.9
1,270.40	Smith WH	456 †	+11	...	4.2	23.5
1.55	Specialeyes	10	...	...	...	...
906.40	Storehouse	218	+12	...	3.2	19.4
103.50	T & S Stores	162 †	-½	...	4.8	11.5
62.40	Tie Rack	121	+1	...	1.8	14.4
125.60	Time Products	237	...	...	4.7	15.7
8.38	Usher (Frank)	121 †	+2	...	7.2	9.2
3,690.70	Vendome	528	-3	...	1.3	40.6
22.10	Vivat	40	-1	...	3.9	10.4
30.90	WEW Group	35	...	...	2.1	25.8
7.63	Wensum	102 †	-5	...	3.5	14.9
330.90	Wickes	89 †	-3½	...	1.8	20.0
9.51	Wld of Leather	79	-3	...	1.1	...
55.50	Wyevale	145 †	...	...	3.9	15.4

ELECTRICALS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
185.50	ACT Group	100	-5	...	6.6	9.4
54.80	Acal	284	...	...	3.0	17.8
73.50	Admiral	645	+1	...	1.3	19.8
85.50	Alba	183 †	...	...	3.4	15.1
11.60	Alphameric	43	...	...	...	32.8
154.00	Amstrad	28½	-1½	...	2.4	...
22.60	App Holo	103	...	...	...	...
25.30	Arlen	34	...	...	...	...
257.70	Astec	83½	+½	...	1.3	17.1
28.80	Azlan	132	-30	...	2.8	10.7
28.80	Beales Hunter	271	...	...	4.5	∞
1,222.10	BICC	346 †	-9	...	7.0	21.8
127.50	Bick	418	...	...	3.1	16.3
184.60	Borland	650	-225	...	...	...
563.90	Bowthorpe	303	-1	...	2.9	17.3
23,888.20	BT	383½	-11	...	5.4	13.4
4.68	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	18	-1	...	1.7	10.5
23.00	Burnfield	67 †	+2	...	3.5	28.8
8,785.90	Cable Wireless	401	-20	...	2.6	17.0
63.20	Chloride	26½	...	...	...	74.1
68.80	CML Micro	269	...	...	1.8	17.2
28.10	Cmputr People	195	...	...	1.6	44.4
414.70	Cray Elect	179	-3½	...	1.6	∞
61.08	Critchley	436	+3	...	2.3	19.5
667.20	Delta	449 †	-23	...	4.1	19.2
26.10	Denmans El	598	...	...	1.4	16.7
137.80	Domino	520	-4	...	2.0	22.4
94.90	Dowding Mills	64 †	...	...	5.0	23.4
93.40	Druck	1460	...	...	0.9	27.2
996.80	Electrocompnts	474	-2	...	2.5	20.7
36.20	El Data Prc	138	...	...	1.7	12.8
39.00	Electron House	154 †	-1	...	2.6	15.9
34.50	Emess	32½	...	...	0.4	...
343.90	Eurotherm	386	-1	...	1.6	22.9
732.00	FKI	163½	-9	...	2.8	18.9
692.90	Farnell Elect	514	-18	...	2.0	20.9
51.80	First Tech	333	-2	...	1.3	19.2
16.10	Forward Gp	195	...	...	3.2	11.7
15.30	Forward Tech	45	-5	...	2.1	...
7,624.80	GEC	280	-13	...	4.8	14.1
96.80	Graseby	150 †	+2	...	5.0	14.1
35.70	Graystone	13 †	+½	...	2.3	11.0
49.90	Ind Control	125 †	-3	...	5.0	∞
60.20	Jones Stroud	348	...	...	3.2	16.6
47.60	Kalamazoo Cmp	125	+1	...	3.5	14.1
130.50	Kenwood App	380	+11	...	3.0	18.2
31.10	Kewill Sys	250	-1	...	2.4	11.1
5.65	Kode	60	-7	...	8.3	...
3.22	Laser-Scan	20	...	...	...	...
21.60	LRMS	99	-4	...	...	...
246.20	Life Sciences	142 †	+5	...	3.6	14.1
184.98	Logica	299 †	-4	...	2.1	∞
4.85	LPA Ind	54	...	...	3.7	...
65.50	MR Data Mngt	118 †	-2	...	5.9	∞
96.46	Macro 4	423 †	-2	...	5.9	11.9
130.40	Memtec-Sw	365	...	...	2.0	30.6
125.00	Micro Focus	866	+60	...	...	10.5
46.10	Microgen	117	...	...	7.7	11.7
23.00	Microvitec	36	-1½	...	...	...
301.50	Misys	426	...	...	2.4	∞
217.40	Mitel	206	-37	...	...	...
10.70	MMT Comp	175	...	...	3.0	17.9
57.60	MTL Inst	320 †	+5	...	1.7	19.3
30.30	Murray Ent	114	...	...	2.2	...
9,854.50	NYNEX	2371½	-43½	...	...	...
14.00	Neotronics	54	-8	...	6.0	11.7
2.23	Newmark (L)	48	...	...	...	...
32.60	Norbain	439	+36	...	0.6	21.1
15.50	Northamber	91	...	...	1.1	38.6
5.90	Oceonics	4½	...	...	...	...
8.77	Orbis	24	...	0.5	2.7	∞
150.50	Oxford Inst	309	-4	...	2.0	18.2
55.50	P & P	71	+4	...	3.9	17.6
95.50	Peek	80	...	...	5.4	19.9
10.30	Pegasus	165 †	-3	...	3.8	16.6
12.90	Philips Fn 4%	£100	...	...	5.8	...
6,381.60	Philips Lmp Nv	1925	-100½	...	1.0	8.8
82.70	Photolink	233	+3	...	...	...
33.70	Pifco	355	-2	...	1.6	24.3
23.10	Pifco 'A' Vtg	335	-4	...	1.7	23.0
5.58	Plasmec	120 †	-8	...	3.9	...
26.90	Pressac	109	-4	...	2.9	22.3
57.00	Psion	254 †	...	...	1.4	17.8
686.50	Racal Elect	245	+1	...	2.2	20.1
9.59	Radamec	52	+3	...	4.6	14.1
11.40	Radius	41 †	...	...	1.1	...
10.90	Real Time	156	-1	...	3.2	11.8
123.90	Roxboro	229 †	-3	...	2.5	16.7
126.40	Sage Gp	605	...	...	2.1	16.3
30.90	Sanderson Elec	80	-1	...	4.5	...
5.84	Scantronic	16	-6	...	6.6	∞
97.20	Scholes Grp	253	...	...	0.8	...
403.70	Sema Gp	435 †	+4	...	1.0	26.2
26.60	Servomex	266 †	...	...	3.3	28.4
22.40	Silvermines	35	-2	...	2.9	20.8
6.57	Soundtracks	65	...	...	4.6	14.7
3,805.70	TDK	2897½	-58½	...	1.1	∞
1.03	TDS Circuits	11½	...	...	...	...
18.70	TGI	87	-7	...	2.9	16.2
79.60	Telemetrix	87	-3	...	1.4	11.1
100.80	Telspec	318 †	...	...	1.0	38.4
4,214.50	Thorn EMI	987	-7	...	4.3	20.1
26.80	Thorpe FW	216 †	-2	...	1.9	15.8
3.53	Total Systems	35	+4	...	...	36.4
82.30	Tunstall	251	...	...	1.8	18.0
240.10	Unitech	350	+2	...	2.3	27.4
18.40	Verity	9	...	...	...	...
26.50	Vistec	21½	-2	...	2.3	11.7
6,179.30	Vodafone	203	-5½	...	1.7	26.5
106.00	Volex	400	-14	...	5.7	17.5
19.60	Wattsbourne	94	...	...	...	...
3.76	Western Selectn	25	...	0.2	1.2	...
36.60	Wholesale Ftgs	258	...	11.7	5.7	∞

ELECTRICITY

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1,559.90	East Midlands	711	+8	...	4.0	56.1
1,401.50	Eastern Grp	737	+5	...	3.9	16.1
1,286.70	Hydro-Elect	325	-5	...	4.9	10.3
1,502.70	London Elect	689	+18	...	4.1	10.5
904.00	Manweb	778	+17	...	3.9	9.3
1,543.30	Midlands Elec	729	+11	...	4.0	11.2
6,174.40	National Powr	482	-2	...	3.2	12.0
955.00	Northern Elec	772	-33	...	4.0	9.7
607.40	Nthn Ireland	369	-6	...	3.9	10.1
1,316.70	Norweb	762	+8	...	3.8	10.0
4,327.70	PowerGen	552	-10	...	2.9	12.1
2,847.80	Scottish Power	349	+2	...	4.4	11.0
1,003.20	Seeboard	400	+15	...	3.7	10.6
769.80	Sth Wales	765	+12	...	4.2	10.4
897.60	Sth Western	728	+11	...	4.0	9.7
1,467.50	Southern Elec	726	+11	...	3.9	11.3
1,431.00	Yorkshire Elec	686	-3	...	4.3	13.4

FINANCE, LAND

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
23.60	Aitken Hume	51 #	...	...	2.5	...
18.10	BWD	95	-5	...	5.5	7.8
34.20	Baltic Plc	125 †	+2	...	2.0	7.9
99.20	Bisotec Inv	167	-1	...	...	...
565.90	Caledonia	681	-3	...	3.0	16.8
59.40	Camellia	2375	-87½	...	1.7	6.4
73.50	Candover	328 †	-1	...	4.3	...
226.60	Exco	184	-10	...	5.8	10.0
255.70	Govett	364	+5	...	4.9	6.2
68.00	Ivory Sime	236	-4	...	4.0	18.4
25.30	Johnson Fry	168	...	1.5	1.1	...
156.20	Lon Forfaiting	155 †	-8	...	7.5	9.7
10.50	Manakin	51	...	...	...	...
17.10	Nat Home Loan	16½	-½	...	...	0.4
5.30	Newmarket	16 †	...	...	...	...
51.30	Rathbone Brs	363	-1	...	4.0	13.0
68.10	Rutland Tr	27½	-½	...	4.1	13.9
28.90	S & U	330 †	+6	...	4.1	10.7
156.30	Singer & Fried	80½	+1½	...	4.9	10.4
270.70	Sothebys	798	-15	...	3.5	34.4
350.30	SIP Capital	128	-4	...	2.9	7.0
21.00	Towry Law	143 †	-2	...	3.9	∞

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
9,218.00	Amer Express	1862¼	-69½	...	5.3	10.0
28.00	Brewin Dolphin	136	-7	...	2.9	10.8
344.60	Gartmore	171 †	+2	...	2.9	10.6
197.40	Henderson Ad	918	+13	...	6.0	14.6
407.20	Investo	155 †	-4	...	3.0	25.4
2,181.50	Jardine Strat	231	-15	...	3.3	10.0
753.70	MAI	231 †	-14	...	4.2	12.6
	MAI 5.9% Cv Pf	90½	-5	...	...	...
1,090.30	MAM	600	-13	...	4.7	14.0
663.80	M & G	913	-45	...	3.8	19.1
209.40	Smith New Crt	335	-10	...	3.7	2.8
16.70	Trio Hldgs	30	-1	...	6.2	13.6

FOODS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
2,385.00	AB Food	530	+7	...	3.5	10.4
1,840.90	ASDA Group	65½	-½	...	3.5	14.6
94.80	Acatos & Hutch	283	-2	...	3.8	11.3
311.30	Albert Fisher	44	-3	...	11.0	14.3
3,006.40	Argyll	287	+6	...	5.4	11.7
18.90	Banks (S C)	220	-4	...	5.5	8.4
69.90	Barr (AG)	370	-2	...	2.3	23.9
8.09	Bensons Crsp	44	...	...	6.1	...
872.30	Booker	408 †	-12	...	6.7	15.0
29.50	Borthwick	51	-½	...	3.2	21.8
218.20	Brake Bros	427	...	...	2.1	15.3
40.70	Budgen	25	...	...	5.0	15.9
23.00	CPL Aromas	211	+18	...	1.8	20.1
3,656.00	Cadbury-Schw	439 †	+1	...	4.4	14.5
12.90	Carrs Milling	188	...	...	3.0	10.2
20.80	Cranswick	149	-1	...	6.9	12.4
3.70	Cullens	14	-1	...	...	...
13.20	Dalepak	114	-3	...	1.6	∞
478.50	Dalgety	426 †	-12½	...	6.2	11.9
6.48	Daniels S	54	...	...	0.7	...
290.20	Devro	215 †	-17	...	3.6	14.5
14.20	Everest	56 †	-½	...	3.6	∞
77.80	Farepak	344	...	...	2.4	19.6
1.38	Farringford	5½	-½	...	...	...
77.80	Finlay (James)	78	+1	...	6.8	10.3
296.00	Fyffes	105	...	...	3.7	18.0
137.90	Geest	192	-8	...	5.4	...
15.70	Global	13	-1	...	4.9	11.7
19.00	Grand Central	48	...	...	...	...
283.30	Hazlewood Fds	122	-6	...	6.9	7.6
1,200.10	Hillsdown	173	-4	...	6.4	12.2
90.80	Hobson	2½	-1½	...	...	...
464.80	Iceland Group	169 †	+14	...	2.9	10.5
40.30	JLI Group	97	...	...	6.2	13.7
870.00	Kwik Save	562	+6	...	4.1	9.8
194.70	Low (Wm)	364	...	...	2.9	12.1
144.00	Matthews (B)	116 †	...	...	2.9	13.9
7.86	Merchant Retail	9½	-½	...	2.7	...
964.70	Morrison (W)	135 †	+2	...	1.0	15.8
95.40	Nichols (JN)	241 †	...	...	3.0	15.5
1,144.10	Nthn Foods	199	-10	...	5.5	9.7
6.76	Ntlamrn Fo	11	-1	...	...	...
225.30	Nurdin Peack	177 †	-3	...	4.7	9.8
193.70	Park Foods	122	+2	...	2.5	24.2
96.30	Perkins Food	78 †	-1	...	7.1	13.1
60.90	PizzaExpress	114 †	-1	...	2.2	19.1
2.45	Regina Hlth	1½	...	...	...	...
7,113.90	Sainsbury J	395	-2	...	3.4	14.0
5.48	Sentry Farm	81	...	...	3.5	8.2
28.10	Sims Food	83	-5	...	11.3	∞
1,502.60	Tate & Lyle	419	-9	...	4.0	10.4
4,806.40	Tesco	234 †	-½	...	4.3	11.7
112.50	Thorntons	175 †	-2½	...	3.5	14.3
20.70	Treatt	218	+12	...	2.4	17.8
789.60	Unigate	337	+3	...	6.4	9.5
1,572.70	Utd Biscuits	299 †	-9½	...	6.4	24.4
7.34	Usborne	8	+½	...	5.2	5.9
159.00	Watson & Philip	375	...	...	4.9	15.2
14.40	West Trust	34 †	...	...	9.2	23.8

HOTELS, CATERERS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
4.08	Abrdn Stk H	34	...	...	...	...
149.90	City Centre Rest	78	+3	...	2.9	15.8
2,019.80	Forte	233½	-½	...	4.0	27.6
35.80	Friendly Hotels	180	+5	...	4.0	29.8
56.90	Jurys Hotel	167½	-2½	...	4.1	15.0
1,754.60	Ladbroke	151 †	-7	...	2.8	26.6
530.20	Mandarin Ornti	78	-3½	...	3.9	21.1
18.30	Ryan Hotels E	28	-1	...	4.7	15.7
269.70	Savoy Hotel 'A'	943	...	...	0.5	...
389.20	Stakis	81½	-2½	...	1.8	29.3

INDUSTRIALS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
9.66	AAF Inds	42	-1	...	...	...
353.60	AAH	396	-6	...	5.7	14.1
21.20	ADM	150	+1	...	3.8	40.0
199.40	APV	67½	-10½	...	8.1	...
128.20	ASW	191 †	+2	...	3.9	...
121.70	Adwest	148 †	-12	...	6.3	15.1
6.84	Aerospace Eng	18	-½	...	5.2	51.0
58.30	Airsprung	244	...	...	2.5	15.2
50.50	Alexdra W	150	-3	...	4.9	15.7
7.91	Allied Radio	5½	-½	...	...	...
105.70	Alumasc	341 †	...	...	2.2	∞
19.70	Alvis	35½	+1½	...	3.5	24.7
30.50	Amber Ind	780	...	...	3.2	16.2
23.10	Amberley Gp	54	-1	...	2.3	29.5
26.50	Anagen	57	-2	...	...	...
9.71	Andrews Sykes	68	...	...	...	...
564.20	Antofagasta	359	-6	...	1.2	28.9
16.50	Armour	51½	...	...	4.5	∞
41.60	Ash & Lacy	158 †	...	...	5.1	16.3
11.80	Ass Br Eng	4½	+½	...	1.4	58.8
143.10	Avon Rubber	538	-6	...	3.8	23.4
40.40	Assoc Nursg	245	-3	...	1.0	14.3
55.40	Atlas Equip	533 †	+3	...	5.2	17.8
11.30	Ayrshire Metal	113	+2	1.5	1.7	...
781.70	BBA	192½	+3½	...	2.9	...
10.80	BLP Group	163 †	...	...	0.8	44.7
50.40	BM Gp	45½	...	...	...	...
3,207.40	BOC	671	-19	...	4.3	28.3
175.00	BSG	59½	-2	...	6.7	37.2
135.70	BSS Group	520	...	...	4.3	21.7
11,009.70	BTR	307 †	-13	...	5.1	16.2
69.30	BWI	145	+1	...	6.0	∞
247.40	Babcock	29½	-1½	...	...	...
3.57	Bailey (CH)	6½	-½	...	...	...
257.10	Baird (Wm)	222	-4	...	5.1	18.6
967.90	Barlow	487½	...	...	0.7	...
113.20	Baynes (Charles)	78 †	+2	...	2.8	20.0
7.90	Bearing Power	23½	+½	...	4.0	14.9
7.71	Beauford	32	...	...	...	...
1.52	Bedford (W)	32	...	...	...	...
13.40	Benson Group	10½	-½	...	4.0	∞
69.80	Bespak	276	-1	...	4.6	14.2
79.70	Bibby (J)	51	-4	...	4.9	...
2.01	Billam (J)	124 †	...	...	5.3	7.7
3.03	Bilston Batrsea	16	-1	...	...	...
8.07	Bimec Ind	6½ #	...	...	...	...
119.30	Birkby	245	-1	...	3.1	18.0
10.10	Black Arrow	41	+3	...	7.9	10.0
144.90	Black (Peter)	262½	...	...	2.1	18.6
94.40	Bluebird Toys	215 †	...	...	3.5	6.4
180.10	Bodycote	311	+3	...	2.2	21.1
1.36	Boged 'A'	28	...	...	3.1	∞
2.60	Booth Inds	65	+2	...	...	...
17.30	Boustead	2½	...	...	3.8	∞
2,215.00	Bowater	443 †	-30	...	3.7	16.6
643.60	Bowater Inc	1759½	-31½	...	...	...
77.30	Boxmore Intl	281	+9	...	1.8	17.9
12.30	Brasway	15½	-½	...	4.3	15.8
152.00	Brammer	340 †	+2	...	4.8	18.9
4.41	Bridgend Gp	16	...	...	1.6	...
88.50	Bridon	156	-3	...	3.2	...
9.63	Bridport-Gndry	96	...	...	2.0	...
1,206.00	Brierley Inv	46½	-2½	...	8.7	∞
20.20	Br Bldg & Eng	180	-5	...	5.7	∞
2.89	Br Bloodstock	74	...	...	...	66.4
134.40	Br Polythene	445 †	-1½	...	3.4	15.6
3,193.50	Br Steel	158½	-8½	...	1.6	58.6
7.23	Br Thornton	45	-3	...	16.7	3.9
515.50	Br Vita	237 †	+7	...	4.0	17.6
180.90	Britton Grp	131	-3	...	2.4	19.3
15,110.70	Broken Hill	912	-8	...	2.1	38.9
64.70	Bromsgrve Ind	89	-2	...	6.3	11.3
4.76	Brooke Tool	12½	-½	...	...	...
15.60	Brown & Tawse	48	...	...	...	...
175.10	Bullough	146	-1	...	5.2	24.0
6.33	Business Tech	8	...	...	...	...
13.00	CI Group	15	...	...	2.5	...
6.06	Campbll & Arm	42	+1	...	...	...
16.40	Cannon St	16	...	...	...	6.1
38.70	Cantab Pharms	393	-5	...	...	...
128.20	Cape	237	-1	...	5.8	15.1
1,632.50	Caradon	273 †	+2	...	4.1	18.1
242.10	Caradon pf	134½	-3	7.2	6.7	...
152.00	Carclo Eng	248	-2	...	4.6	16.2
26.10	Care UK	6½	-½	...	...	...
1,253.90	Carnaud MD	2175	-12½	...	2.2	16.8
4.64	Cassidy Bros	85	...	...	4.0	10.9
58.20	Castings	138	-2	...	2.4	17.0
87.00	Cathay Intl	31	-1	...	...	...
148.00	Celltech	309	+2	...	...	...
11.60	Chamberlin Hill	160	...	...	5.1	10.1
658.30	Charter	769	+1	...	3.7	21.9
67.30	Chemring	294	-1	...	3.9	15.5
4.80	Chieftain Gp	56	...	...	7.8	11.2
265.00	Christies Intl	164 †	-7	...	1.5	29.0
12.10	Claybithe	73	-1	...	4.5	∞
4.19	Cohen (A)	540	...	3.4	0.8	...
82.10	Community H	248 †	...	...	4.0	14.3
101.20	Concentric	186	-1	...	4.0	15.4
59.90	Cook (Wm)	221	-1	...	3.5	13.0
1,323.50	Cookson	235 †	-11	...	3.5	21.5
12.20	Copymore	115	...	...	4.5	16.3
43.60	Crowell Pkr 'A'	108 †	-4	...	6.6	24.2
15.30	Cosalt	134	-1	...	5.8	...
8.97	Creighton Nt	194	+2	...	5.0	∞
60.70	CrestaCare	32 †	-2	...	3.0	...
1,567.10	Dana	1587½	-100	...	...	...
541.00	Danka Bs Sys	287	-23	...	0.7	34.5
124.80	David Brown	217	+4	...	3.8	15.1
1,914.60	De La Rue	992	+15	...	2.5	21.1
51.40	Denby Group	154	-2	...	2.5	15.0
4.16	Dinkie Heel	34	+1	...	5.2	9.8
253.80	Diploma	454	-4	...	3.4	18.2
100.20	Dobson Park	80	...	...	5.9	15.8
1.55	Dyson (J&J)	94	-6	...	4.7	∞
9.16	Dyson 'A'	76	-4	...	5.3	∞
7.02	EPG	15	-½	0.1	0.8	9.8
178.70	EIS	390	...	...	4.0	15.5
2.15	Elbief	17	+2	...	...	...
9.46	Eleco	32	+7	...	...	...
2,269.80	Electrolux 'B'	3187½	-40½	...	1.7	53.7
31.10	Elliott (B)	88	+1	...	1.4	13.4
1,067.90	Eng China Cl	350 †	-20	...	5.8	16.9
27.60	Environmed	120	-3	...	0.2	...
7,389.00	Ericsson 'B'	3721½	+107½	...	1.0	31.9
30.50	Eurocopy	63	-1	...	3.6	18.6
64.50	Expamet	102 †	-1	...	3.2	72.3
282.40	Fairey Group	375 †	-16	...	2.1	19.8
93.30	Fenner	135	...	...	0.4	...
9.31	Ferraris Group	88	...	...	3.0	13.0
8.47	Ferrum	34	...	...	...	...
7.39	Fife Indmar	60	...	...	5.7	8.8
815.50	Fisons	118	...	...	2.9	...
106.00	Fitzwilton	42	...	...	11.0	...
73.90	Flogas	300	...	...	2.6	12.4
13.50	Folkes Group nv	44 †	...	1.5	4.3	...
11.20	French (Thomas)	95	...	...	4.8	18.8
165.40	Frost Group	235 †	+10	...	2.9	23.7
30.30	GEI Intl	82	...	...	2.3	23.0
2,103.70	GKN	608 †	+2	...	4.2	35.6
7.24	GR Hldgs	55	...	...	4.1	...
4.84	Garton Eng	127 †	...	...	4.6	34.4
227.20	Gestetner	115	-4	...	2.6	...
13.70	Gleeves	60	...	...	2.1	38.5
17,970.40	Glaxo	589 †	-23	...	5.7	14.4
7.02	Glenchewton	24	-7	...	...	...
697.90	Glynwed	336	-2	...	4.4	19.4
102.80	Goode Durrant	191	-1	...	3.9	15.0
70.50	Grampian Hldg	101½	-7	...	6.9	18.4
2,945.70	Granada	507	-13	...	2.2	20.0
6.16	Green (Ernst)	80 †	...	...	9.4	∞
19.00	Greenacre	10½	...	...	4.0	14.3
76.90	Haden MacLn	70 †	+2	...	3.6	18.1
8.62	Hadleigh	119	...	...	2.1	13.9
23.60	Halkin Hldgs	66	+2	...	...	...
46.70	Hall Eng	147 †	...	...	6.8	11.5
442.40	Halma	222	+2	...	1.3	26.1
31.80	Hampson Ind	52	-14	...	4.8	9.9
11,354.20	Hanson	222½	-13½	...	6.7	19.0
15.10	Harris (Phillip)	140	-3	...	6.1	17.3
1,172.70	Harrisn Crsfld	167 †	-3	...	6.7	19.0
48.50	Havelock Euro	186	+18	...	2.0	21.9
4.20	Hay (Norman)	38	...	...	...	...
4.99	Headway	31 †	-4	...	2.8	24.1
716.00	Hepworth	295 †	-8	...	6.3	16.8
4.41	Hewitt (J)	130	...	...	3.1	...
2.29	High-Point	46	-7	...	1.4	...
49.30	Hill & Smith	148	+8	...	4.9	16.1
2.96	Holders Tech	95	...	...	7.9	10.3
40.60	Hopkinsons	52 †	...	...	3.1	...
14.90	Hornby	180	...	...	6.2	15.7
247.20	Howden	65	-1	...	1.6	13.6
59.80	Hozelock	247	-2	...	3.0	17.6
154.70	Hunting	159	-4	...	8.1	30.7
118.90	Huntleigh Tec	420 †	...	...	1.6	19.6
966.10	IMI	296	-15	...	4.3	25.1
46.30	ISA Intl	116 †	-3½	...	1.8	14.5
11.10	Intercare Gp	39	...	...	11.2	4.2
35.50	Isotron	284 †	-1	...	2.1	∞
3,601.10	Jardine Math	501¼	-22	...	2.8	11.8
1,067.70	Johnson Matth	590	-3	...	2.5	22.3
55.50	Johnson & FB	39½	...	...	1.1	...
29.90	Johnston	283	-2	...	2.0	73.6
7.71	Jones Shipman	30	...	...	...	...
5.34	Jourdan (T)	30	-1	...	4.2	29.3
194.80	Kalon	145½	-2½	...	3.8	13.8
9.68	Kelsey Ind	315	...	...	3.2	...
300.70	Kershaw (A)	865	-10	...	4.0	39.8
23.40	Kleeneze	168	...	...	0.7	37.3
403.20	Laird	342 †	-1½	...	4.0	16.1
43.90	Lilleshall	155 †	-3	...	3.8	16.2
15.80	Lincat	223 †	...	...	3.9	13.9
66.20	Linton Park	398 †	-1	...	5.5	11.4
10.30	Lionheart	5½	-½	...	4.8	11.9
4.95	Locker (T) A	10½	...	...	1.5	∞
275.70	Lon Intl	81½	-3½	...	...	...
1,020.10	Lonrho	132	-1	...	3.8	36.2
406.00	Low & Bonar	413	+2	...	3.1	16.5
60.20	ML Hldgs	38	-1	...	2.8	13.2
13.40	MS Intl	49	...	...	6.4	29.6
46.70	MY Holdings	53	-1	...	3.9	∞
216.00	Macfarlane	269	+3	...	1.9	21.7
419.50	McKechnie	432	+9	...	4.3	20.7
67.20	McLeod Russel	111	-2	...	6.9	17.3
3.96	Magnolia	69	-3	...	0.2	...
23.90	Mang Bronze	145 †	-1½	...	3.4	∞
45.20	Marling	25½	...	...	3.2	45.7
36.90	Mayborn	186 †	...	...	4.0	12.4
113.80	Mayflower	57 †	...	...	3.1	23.2
450.00	Medeva	163 †	-4	...	2.2	13.1
157.00	Meggitt	72½	+½	...	6.8	11.7
97.30	Metalrax	102	...	...	4.4	17.8
24.60	Metroeel	107	...	...	4.2	13.8
20.40	Metsec	132 †	...	...	2.8	18.4
38.30	Midstates	76	-7	...	...	10.6
29.40	Middlesex Hlds ▲	5½	-½	...	2.2	∞
101.10	Molins	530 †	-1	...	3.7	10.8
694.50	Morgan Cruc	313 †	-3	...	5.1	15.2
24.50	Morris Ashby	210	...	...	3.6	∞
8.84	Neepsend	36	...	...	4.3	16.8
35.20	Nestor-BNA	47 †	+2	...	8.4	11.6
27.80	Nobo Gp	227	+2	...	3.3	14.6
216.80	Norcros	124	-7	...	7.1	22.2
16.40	Novo Group	26 †	+1	...	0.9	∞
22.20	OMI Intl	50	...	...	4.4	...
13.70	PCT	155 †	...	...	6.0	∞
3.34	Pacer Systems	71 †	+5½	...	6.2	25.7
6.12	Pascoe's	40	...	...	...	...
354.00	Pentland	98 †	-2½	...	3.7	19.4
145.70	Photo-Me	240 †	...	...	2.5	25.0
1,514.50	Pilkington	190	+2	...	2.6	...
17.30	Plant & Gen	54	+2	...	4.1	∞
173.20	Plantsbrook	173	...	...	2.5	20.4
202.30	Polypipe	129 †	-4	...	2.2	∞
36.80	Porter Chadbrn	39	-1	...	...	...
260.20	Powerscreen	297	...	...	3.1	13.3
32.70	Prospect Inds	15½	-1½	...	6.5	8.5
8.15	RPS Group	68 †	...	...	4.8	12.3
1.09	Radiant Metal	80	...	...	...	...
3,423.80	Rank Org	413	+3	...	3.8	26.5
34.10	Ransomes	60	...	...	...	...
2,177.00	Reckitt Colm	579	-13	...	3.9	14.6
28.30	Record	85 †	-½	...	5.3	19.1
5.15	Reece	4	...	...	...	...
54.90	Relyon	259	+2	...	2.6	47.3
148.20	Renishaw	303 †	...	...	2.6	∞
116.50	Renold	176½	-1½	...	1.8	24.5
7,651.50	Reuters	459	-11	...	1.9	23.0
12.10	Rexmore	78	+2	...	4.0	7.9
64.20	Ricardo Group	145 †	...	...	5.2	17.6
4.44	Richard (Leics)	53	...	...	5.4	37.2
29.90	Richardson West	83	...	...	4.9	18.2
31.00	Ropner	134 †	-2	...	7.0	15.2
12.60	Ross Gp	9	-1½	...	2.8	...
146.10	Rotork	167 †	-1	...	3.3	17.0
29.90	Rubicon	137 †	...	...	4.2	15.5
20.90	Russell (A)	90 †	-2	...	3.1	18.5
28.20	SEP Indl	35	+½	...	3.2	16.5
751.40	SKF 'B'	1178½	+53½	...	...	...
498.50	Scapa	210	-3	...	3.5	17.9
102.40	Scholl	152 †	-2	...	5.3	14.6
165.20	Scotia	263	-9	...	...	...
60.00	Securicor	1445	+2	...	0.3	35.8
724.20	Securicor 'A'	943	-4	...	0.4	23.3
830.90	Security Serv	758	-4	...	1.0	24.0
256.10	Senior Eng	85 †	+14½	...	5.0	13.9
107.20	Seton Health	348	...	...	2.3	17.7
9.23	Shiloh	158	+2	...	2.8	10.5
134.50	Sidlaw	196 †	-25	...	7.0	9.7
2,204.20	Siebe	515	-29	...	2.7	16.6
108.80	Silentnight	235	+7	...	4.3	14.6
2,887.70	Sime Darby	164	-7	...	3.3	17.0
159.50	Simon Eng	102	-½	...	...	...
38.80	Sinclair (Wm)	178 †	-4½	...	5.0	13.7
43.60	Six Hundred	81	-1	...	2.3	...
1,549.00	Smith & Neph	142½	-4	...	4.4	15.8
5,776.50	SmithKline	419½	-15	...	3.7	16.2
5,004.20	SmithKline Uts	382	-10	...	4.1	14.8
1,355.40	Smiths Ind	453	+15	...	3.7	17.1
48.30	Stim Bus	50	...	...	9.3	7.8
99.80	Spandex	253	-5	...	1.2	20.3
338.80	Spirax-Sarco	436 †	+1	...	2.8	18.5
199.40	Spring Ram	44	+1½	...	1.4	...
236.60	Staveley	207	...	...	5.1	60.5
66.60	Sterling Ind	238	-1	...	3.3	21.4
195.10	Suter	167	...	...	7.0	16.1
	Swire Pacific 'A'	432	-35	...	2.1	∞
26.40	Sytone	158	...	...	3.9	17.5
1,680.10	TI	359	-10	...	4.0	19.5
13.20	TLS Range	36½	+½	...	3.4	14.7
356.00	TT Group	347 †	...	...	2.4	∞
381.90	Takare	225	-6	2.0	1.1	19.6
6,756.90	Takeda Chem	772½	+2½	...	0.8	14.5
6.58	Tinsley (E)	119	...	...	5.9	19.4
19.30	Titon	177	-8	...	3.0	15.0
2,423.00	Tomkins	220½	-12	...	4.4	13.3
91.50	Trafalgar H	85	-4	...	1.5	...
55.40	Transfer Tech	58	-10	...	7.3	8.1
85.40	Triplex Lloyd	122	-3	...	6.6	∞
459.50	UniChem	269	-4	...	3.2	15.4
59.00	Unidare	305	...	...	3.5	16.6
11.30	Unigroup	36	-1	...	...	...
9,203.20	Unilever	1132	-12	25.0	2.8	16.3
11,616.50	Unilever (NV)	7231½	-145½	...	3.0	14.6
34.70	Utd Inds	19½	...	...	0.8	...
496.50	VSEL	1310	-15	...	3.4	12.5
19.90	Verson	13½	-1	...	...	...
570.20	Vickers	173	+2	...	2.5	18.3
107.00	Victaulic	242	...	...	4.2	13.3
12.90	Villiers Grp ▲	11	...	...	...	...
203.50	Vinten	404	-10	...	2.1	12.9
224.90	Vosper Thorny	705	-3	...	3.2	15.3
15.60	WSP Hldgs	56	+2	...	4.1	34.0
216.20	Wagon Ind	466	+2	...	4.8	23.7
101.30	Walker Greenbk	106	...	...	4.1	18.5
551.10	Wassall	286 †	-3	...	1.6	24.6
418.20	Waterford Wdgwd	59	-2	...	...	46.0
53.60	Weir	284	-2	...	2.9	16.9
5,657.20	Wellcome	651	-28	...	3.3	14.8
45.60	Wellington Hdg	193 †	...	...	3.3	18.6
46.10	Wellman	38	...	...	3.0	62.0
184.10	West Midcare	361	-11	...	1.6	∞
88.80	Whatman	360 †	-5	...	3.4	14.2
32.90	Whessoe	112	+2	...	9.2	8.6
65.40	Whitecroft	149½	-2½	...	1.7	23.6
15.50	Widney	10½	...	...	...	...
1,970.50	Williams Hldg	334	-3	...	4.9	20.6
47.00	Wilshaw	56½	-½	...	1.3	33.2
2,068.00	Wolseley	752	-16	...	2.4	18.3
3.10	Wood (Arthur)	155	...	...	2.4	31.2
21.90	Wyko	68 †	...	...	0.9	∞
12.10	Young (H)	73	-2	...	5.7	28.1

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Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
553.00	Alex & Alex	1262½	-19½	...	5.3	...
3,348.10	Am Gen	1600	-75	...	4.5	...
20.50	Archer	56	+2	...	2.2	...
56.80	Bradstock	94	-1	...	7.4	10.8
758.40	Britannic	400	-3	...	3.1	...
77.60	CLM Insce	90	...	1.4	2.0	...
3,483.50	Com Union	522	-16	...	6.0	19.9
113.60	Dom & Gen	1670 †	...	...	2.1	17.9
104.50	FAI	35	-2	...	1.3	...
52.10	Fenchurch Grp	146	-2	...	6.2	13.0
2,523.20	Gen Accident	557 †	-13	...	6.3	9.0
1,650.00	GRE	199	-8	...	5.2	20.8
159.60	Heath C E	242½	-15½	...	8.2	...
113.20	Independent	254 †	+4	...	4.3	6.9
172.50	JIB Group	135 †	...	...	6.9	12.4
2,136.40	Legal & Gen	436	-15	...	5.9	17.3
3,295.40	Liberty Life	1381½	...	...	1.3	5.5
263.20	LIMIT	94	...	...	1.3	∞
2,280.70	Lloyds Abbey	370	-8	...	7.0	10.0
121.60	Lloyd Thomp	174 †	-6	...	5.6	17.5
62.70	Lombard Ins	176	...	...	5.5	16.8
390.20	Londn & Man	322 †	-13	...	6.3	16.1
100.80	Lowndes Lmb	170	...	...	5.5	10.7
3,474.00	Marsh McLn	4712½	-12½	...	3.9	...
78.60	Nelson Hurst	174 †	...	...	4.0	17.4
28.00	Oriel	115	...	...	5.5	∞
10.50	PWS	34	-1½	...	11.0	...
5,750.90	Prudential	303 †	-4	...	5.6	13.1
435.20	Refuge	577 †	-3	...	5.2	20.4
1,787.50	Royal	275 †	-15	...	4.1	6.9
829.90	Sedgwick	152 †	-4	...	4.9	17.2
54.10	Steel Burrill	113 †	-1	...	10.0	...
36.50	Sturge Hldgs	76	-2	...	4.6	...
2,629.20	Sun Alliance	325 †	-11	...	5.8	9.0
115.20	Trade Indemnty	63 †	...	...	1.9	14.0
1,012.30	Transatlantic	335	...	...	4.5	30.3
410.00	Utd Friendly	500	-5	...	4.3	25.7
645.00	Willis Corroon	154	-8	...	5.4	14.9
8.45	Windsor	25	+2	...	...	19.6



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Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1,859.80	3i	319	-1	...	2.6	...
887.00	Alliance	1760	-28	...	3.4	...
472.80	Anglo & O'seas	414	-6	...	2.2	...
63.00	BZW Conv	123 †	-6	...	7.9	∞
290.40	Bankers	181 †	-3	...	2.7	...
165.70	Baring Tribne	323	...	...	2.6	...
11.40	Berry Starq	220	...	2.2	1.2	∞
359.00	Br Assets	93½	-2	...	5.8	...
121.00	Br Empire Sec	91	-2½	...	1.3	...
4.92	Br Empire Wts	37	-1	...	...	...
645.80	Br Inv	207	+2	...	2.9	...
150.40	Brunner	335	-4	...	2.8	...
42.70	Contl Asset	195	-2	...	1.9	...
18.40	Derby Inc	156	-3	...	12.6	...
44.50	Derby Cap	290	-8	...	...	...
9.73	Drayton Blue	77	-1	...	13.6	...
43.60	Drytn Eng Intl	89	-1	...	1.1	...
159.50	Drytn Far East	138	-5½	...	0.6	...
201.00	Dunedn Inc G	628	-22	...	5.2	...
35.80	Dunedn Japan	89½	-½	...	...	...
3.36	Dunedn Wts	42	-4	...	...	...
52.10	Dunedn Smlr	310	-5	...	3.6	...
258.30	Dunedn Wwde	771	-4	...	1.5	...
884.30	Edinburgh	301	-7	...	3.6	...
552.20	Electra Inv	319	-3	...	2.8	...
176.30	Electric Gen	195	-3½	...	2.1	...
1.49	English Scot	113	-3	...	...	...
73.60	European Asset	295	-1	...	2.0	...
79.30	Fidity Euro Val	152½	-2½	...	0.2	...
129.00	Fidity Jap Val	86	-1½	...	...	...
37.20	Finsbury 'A'	156	...	3.0	2.4	...
191.90	Fleming Amer	286	-14	...	0.5	...
47.60	Fleming Chinese	79	-4½	...	...	...
4.56	Fleming Wts	38	-5	...	...	...
110.90	Fleming Claver	208 †	-1	...	3.3	...
203.70	Fleming Contl	312	-1	...	0.9	...
81.60	Fleming Enrp	204	-1	...	2.9	...
545.80	Fleming F East	361	-3	1.5	0.5	...
44.70	Fleming Fledg	355	-3	...	1.1	...
30.10	Fleming Hi Inc	93	-3	...	5.9	...
444.40	Fleming Japan	257	-5	...	0.2	...
398.80	Fleming Merc	276 †	-10	...	3.0	...
385.10	Fleming Oseas	290 †	-6	...	1.8	...
1,413.60	Foreign & Col	134½	-3½	...	1.7	...
129.80	Frgn Emg Mkts	129½	-3	0.2	0.3	...
66.70	Frgn Enterprise	71	-1	...	1.1	...
136.10	Frgn Eurotst	226	-5	...	0.7	...
46.80	Frgn German	119	-6	...	0.5	...
321.60	Frgn Pacific	323 †	-3	...	1.0	...
171.20	Frgn Smaller	163½	-3	...	1.5	...
152.30	GT Japan	244 †	-11	...	0.6	...
28.20	Genl Cons Cap	156	-3	...	...	...
39.10	Genl Inc	108	...	...	10.1	...
35.20	Govett Am Smlr	141	-4	...	...	...
42.90	Gov Emg Mks	120	-10	...	0.3	...
18.90	Gov Glob Smlr	87	...	...	...	...
38.70	Govett High Inc	81 †	...	...	7.0	...
720.60	Govett Oriental	401	-5	...	0.3	...
229.80	Govett Strategic	234	-11	...	3.7	∞
48.10	Greenfriar	118	-2	...	2.0	...
0.81	Gresham House	19	...	...	...	...
59.80	Herald	92	+1	...	...	...
	Inv Biotech	90	...	...	...	...
	Inv Wts	38	...	...	...	...
311.70	Inv Cap	126	-5½	...	5.1	...
29.90	I&S UK Smllr	103	-2	...	3.4	...
37.10	INVESCO Korea	161	-1	...	...	...
160.80	Kleinwort Chrl	198½	-3½	...	3.2	...
392.50	Klnwt Euro Prvt	78½	-1	...	...	...
27.50	Klnwt Euro Wts	27½	-1	...	...	...
186.10	Klnwt O'seas	232	-6½	...	1.8	...
17.30	Klnwt Smlr	131 †	...	...	3.0	...
162.80	Law Debenture	717	-10	...	3.4	...
101.30	Majedie	193	-5	...	3.2	...
259.80	Merchants	254 †	-16	...	5.5	...
94.90	Mercury Euro Pv	82½	-2½	...	...	...
35.10	Mercury Wts	30½	-2	...	...	...
470.50	Merc Wld Mg	110½	-½	...	...	...
33.20	Mercury Wld Wts	39	-2	...	...	...
4,406.10	Merrill Lynch	2200½	+43½	...	...	...
398.90	Monks Inv Tst	514	-17	...	1.7	...
51.20	Morg Gren Inc	139	-4	...	4.4	...
2.44	Morg Wts	51½	...	...	...	...
67.70	Morg Lam Amer	105½	-½	...	...	...
7.70	Morg Wts	60	+½	...	...	...
30.30	Murray Ent	114	...	...	2.2	...
1.68	Murray Wts	35	-1	...	...	...
17.00	Murray Euro	59½	+½	...	0.6	...
1.02	Murray Wts	17	...	...	...	...
264.60	Murray Income	310 †	-9	...	4.6	...
390.60	Murray Intl	325 †	-9	...	4.8	...
266.70	Murray Small	479	-9	...	1.4	...
6.06	Murray S/C Inc	87	...	...	15.2	...
8.23	Murray S/C Cap	147	+2	...	...	...
1.48	Murray S/C Uts	2850	...	...	4.6	...
10.10	Murray S/C DP	158½	+1	...	...	...
75.10	Murray Vent	304 †	-5	...	4.7	∞
24.30	Nwthrnc Inc	62 †	...	...	8.7	...
132.20	O'seas Inv Tst	347	-7	...	1.1	...
3.66	O'seas Wts	205	-2	...	...	...
105.50	Pacific Assets	517	+2	...	0.3	...
13.50	Pacific Wts	415	+1	...	...	...
13.33	Personal Assets	4700 †	+100	195	2.8	...
318.00	RIT Cap Ptnr	176	-2	...	1.1	...
22.90	River & Merc	114	...	...	10.1	...
	Robeco	412	...	...	3.1	...
	Rolinco	432	...	...	1.8	...
105.30	St Andrew Inv	306	-1	...	3.2	...
349.90	Scot American	156½	-3	...	3.9	...
60.70	Scot Asian	289	-7	...	...	...
5.69	Scot Wts	813	-20	...	...	...
503.70	Scot Eastern	79½	-2	...	2.5	...
543.40	Scottish	215	-6½	...	2.9	∞
797.10	Scottish Mtge	221	-6½	...	2.1	...
53.30	Scottish Value	106	-2	...	2.3	...
501.10	Second Allnce	1508 †	-8	...	3.3	∞
257.80	Secs Tst of Scot	80½	-2	...	5.0	...
45.10	Selective Asset	156	...	...	1.2	...
49.70	Sphere Inv	38½	-2	...	8.2	...
75.70	TR Far East	161	-2	...	4.0	...
291.10	TR City Of Lon	162½	-5	...	4.6	...
156.80	TR Pacific	117	-2	...	0.2	...
156.50	TR Property	33½	-1	...	3.4	...
79.60	TR Tech Inv	109	-1	...	2.0	...
331.50	TR Smlr Cos	186	-7	...	2.6	...
169.70	Temple Bar	331	-6	...	5.2	...
106.20	Thrmtn Asian E	106	-3	...	0.6	...
224.80	Throgmorton	74	-2½	...	3.9	...
17.90	Throg Dual Cp	510	+2	...	...	...
88.20	USDC Invest	241 †	...	...	2.3	...
47.50	Value Inc Tst	110½	-1½	...	4.8	...
844.40	Witan	225	-6	...	3.2	...

LEISURE

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
491.80	Airtours	444	-8	...	2.6	15.4
12.60	Ald Leis	18	-1	...	...	...
224.70	Alpha Airpts	149 †	+2	...	3.4	...
21.50	Baldwin	113 †	...	...	3.9	19.4
29.90	Barr & W 'A'	300 †	-6	...	4.2	12.5
67.40	Boosey Hwks	344 †	...	...	1.9	20.4
18.80	Border TV	184	-5	...	3.7	15.4
12.70	Brent Walker	3½	+½	...	...	...
12.10	Bristol Scens	200	+12	...	1.9	...
3.01	Buckingham Int	2½	...	...	...	...
3.64	Campari	35	-2	...	...	...
251.70	Capital Radio	345	-7	...	2.3	30.4
1,899.80	Carlton Comm	826	-9	...	2.9	18.2
62.10	Chrysalis	231	-3	3.2	1.8	...
770.50	Compass Gp	324	...	...	2.6	19.1
70.70	Eurocamp	269	...	9.9	4.6	11.1
596.70	Euro Disney	78	-13	...	...	...
19.90	Euro Leisure	2½	-½	...	...	...
15.20	Fairline Boats	435	+6	...	3.4	30.3
177.80	First Choice	114	-1	...	3.9	...
431.40	First Leisure	264 †	...	...	3.1	17.5
446.70	Flextech	479	+5	...	...	...
62.30	GWR Gp	895	-8	...	1.5	32.4
47.40	Grampian	336	...	...	2.8	18.0
129.50	HTV Group	147 †	...	...	1.5	32.9
17.50	Hi-Tec Sports	36 †	+2	...	9.7	5.3
37.70	Kunick	14	-½	...	...	...
176.30	London Clubs	249	...	...	0.0	12.7
79.30	Man Utd	650 †	...	...	4.0	∞
32.70	My Kinda Town	13½	...	...	...	...
20.40	Northern	63	-4	...	6.1	10.1
67.90	The Pelican Gp	96	-1	...	1.4	∞
10.50	Prism Leisure	125	-1	...	4.2	8.8
11.00	Quadrant Grp	30	...	...	...	...
23.20	Ramsdens (H)	263	...	...	2.1	39.6
57.40	Scott Radio	565	-8	...	2.2	22.9
212.10	Scot TV	440 †	-½	...	3.6	29.5
32.20	SelecTV	22½	-½	...	...	...
175.60	Stanley Leisure	327	...	...	2.0	18.4
7.37	Sunset & Vine	129	-1	3.5	3.4	19.7
1,050.40	Tanjong	260	...	...	0.7	15.7
21.60	Tottenhm Hot	135 †	-1	...	0.9	36.2
74.30	Ulster TV	708 †	...	...	2.9	21.8
58.70	VCI	151	+1	...	1.7	13.5
95.90	Vardon	127 †	+4	...	1.2	22.5
300.30	Yorkshire TV	395	+14	...	...	...
9.01	Zetters Gp	137	...	...	7.8	∞

MINING

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
8,621.00	Ang Am	3700	+75	...	1.9	35.5
873.80	Ang Am Coal	3468½	...	...	2.6	18.8
1,765.10	Ang Am Gold	7309½	-434½	...	3.2	22.1
19.80	Anglo Pac Res	25½	...	...	...	...
1,115.70	Ashanti	1331½	-38½	...	...	...
43.80	Bakyrchik	292	+3	...	...	...
39.80	Blyvoors	165½	+3½	...	...	...
3.01	Bracken	21½	+5½	...	4.1	...
88.70	Buffels	906½	+5½	...	6.6	∞
6.47	Butte	2½	...	...	...	...
5,047.70	CRA	848	-30	...	2.4	28.0
31.90	Cluff Res	44	-½	...	...	...
63.30	Coal Inv	108	-3	...	...	...
5,964.50	De Beers	1568½	+31½	...	3.3	16.8
127.20	Deelkraal	127½	+12½	...	2.7	11.4
38.10	Doornfontein	95½	-2	...	...	...
2,114.60	Driefontein	1036½	+67½	...	4.1	15.4
21.60	Durban	929	-42	...	...	...
81.70	E Rand Gold	178½	+8½	...	11.3	5.9
127.40	E Rand Prop	96	+5½	...	...	...
495.20	Elandsrand	510½	+4½	...	3.1	12.0
1,320.10	FS Cons	1109½	-46	...	5.1	13.9
18.20	FS Dev	82	...	...	1.5	...
1,870.60	GFSA	1937½	-6½	...	1.9	29.3
3,127.60	Gencor	227½	+13½	...	1.2	28.8
310.30	GM Kalgoorli	58	+1	...	2.3	22.6
17.90	Greenwich R 'A'	20½	...	...	...	...
22.10	Grootvlei	193½	+14½	...	4.8	10.4
173.10	Harmony	643½	+10½	...	...	...
426.50	Harties	580½	+19½	...	7.4	11.3
932.30	Impala Plat	1475	+15½	...	1.7	46.2
207.30	Kinross	1157½	+56½	...	4.1	16.2
1,516.50	Kloof	1094½	+46½	...	2.9	11.6
20.00	Leslie	124½	+2½	...	8.4	7.4
54.80	Loraine	334½	+8½	...	...	...
180.20	Lydenburg	1137½	...	...	2.0	...
1,791.50	MIM	128	+1	...	1.8	...
3,717.70	Minorco	1650 †	+25	...	2.1	∞
1,155.50	Nth Brkn Hill	173	+4	...	2.0	26.9
4,197.50	RTZ	862 †	-23	...	3.0	24.6
275.80	Rand Mines	462½	...	...	2.3	17.5
455.30	Randfontein	744½	-16½	...	6.6	9.5
467.70	Renison	235	...	...	...	...
2,242.00	Rustnbrg	1787½	+68½	...	1.6	∞
64.50	St Helena	721½	+15½	...	6.0	∞
544.00	Southvaal	2092½	+121½	...	4.1	24.6
16.40	Stilfontein	126	+6½	...	16.7	4.5
61.10	Unisel	216	+21½	...	2.7	17.0
8,011.70	Vaal Reefs	6725	+212½	...	3.7	11.2
464.20	Western Areas	1151½	+29½	...	6.1	11.0
990.50	Western Deep	3575	+164½	...	2.8	12.6
4,054.10	Wstrn Mining	367	-4	...	1.0	∞
119.70	Winkels	981½	+96½	...	4.8	14.0
63.70	Zambia Copper	52	-6	...	...	...
79.40	Zandpan	61	-4	...	8.1	12.3

MOTORS, AIRCRAFT

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
5.66	Abbey Panels	283	...	...	...	...
13.30	Airflow Stream	150	-22	...	3.2	23.2
79.70	Appleyard	120 †	+1	...	6.0	21.2
16.10	Bletchley Mtr	263	-7	...	5.0	10.8
46.40	Bostrom	294 †	+2½	...	2.6	16.8
1,781.30	Br Aerospace	470 †	...	...	2.4	41.3
39.10	Burndene	37	-1	...	6.8	10.8
9.29	Caffyns	280	-15	...	5.1	18.9
28.50	Caverdale	13½	-1	...	1.4	13.4
13.40	Central Mtr	98	...	...	4.5	24.2
15.90	Cook (DC)	37	-3	...	3.4	∞
287.60	Cowie	201	-16	...	5.1	9.8
33.80	Dag Motors	140 †	...	...	5.8	16.1
29.60	Davnprt Vern	156	...	...	2.6	15.5
31.70	ERF	323	-4	...	0.8	...
105.00	Eurodollar	214	-2	...	5.0	16.7
59.50	European Mtr	111	...	...	4.8	11.6
151.40	Evans Halshaw	406	+3	...	4.4	12.8
233.60	FR Group	309	-8	...	3.2	15.3
17,783.50	Ford Motor	1762½	-50	...	...	...
18,785.00	General Mtr	2643½	-318½	...	1.9	...
6.73	Gowrings	74 †	-2	...	3.4	22.5
130.20	Henlys	273 †	-2	...	3.3	14.6
10,672.90	Honda Motor	1095½	-32	...	0.4	...
6.28	Jacks (Wm)	58	...	...	...	13.4
262.00	Kwik-Fit	152 †	-1	...	3.3	17.4
319.30	Lex Service	335	-14	...	5.0	12.8
37.00	Lookers	190	+1	...	4.5	11.8
1,489.30	Lucas	194 †	+4	...	4.5	...
21.10	Malaya Grp	24 #	...	...	1.3	...
90.70	Pendragon	235	...	...	4.0	15.4
41.80	Perry Gp	165 †	-2	...	5.3	9.0
32.90	Quicks Group	143 †	...	...	4.6	15.1
2,133.20	Rolls-Royce	174 †	-8	...	3.6	30.7
1,148.60	T & N	217½	-3½	...	6.2	19.0
159.90	Trinity Hldgs	311	-3	...	2.6	22.3
74.10	Vardy (Reg)	160	-2	...	3.6	15.1

NEWS, PUBLISHERS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
46.70	Adscene	291	-2	...	2.8	20.8
5.20	Black (A&C)	335 †	-½	...	5.0	14.2
243.90	Blenheim Gp	262	-2	...	5.0	9.7
61.30	Bristol	376	...	...	4.1	26.0
69.20	Daily Mail	1384½	+46½	...	1.4	32.4
1,015.90	Daily Mail 'A'	1018½	+56½	...	1.9	23.9
187.60	Dorling Kind	290	-2½	...	1.4	∞
4,003.50	Elsevier	613½	-24½	...	3.2	19.6
726.40	EMAP	368 †	-8	...	2.9	22.9
379.20	Euromoney Pb	1738	-10	...	2.9	30.6
4.23	Hartington R	42	-13	...	3.0	∞
68.00	Haynes Pub	435 †	-5	...	2.6	25.9
116.20	Hodder H'line	333 †	-4	...	2.0	54.2
17.50	Home Counts	175 †	...	...	3.6	42.9
84.90	Intl Bus Comm	238 †	+1	...	2.0	10.6
6.14	Int Cm & Data	9½	-½	...	...	...
335.30	Independent	285	-3	...	2.7	9.7
205.90	Johnstone Press	618 †	-8	...	1.5	22.7
42.30	MAID	52	...	...	...	78.9
47.10	Metal Bulletn	476	...	...	2.9	24.7
186.20	Midland Ind	135 †	-2	...	2.6	18.5
994.70	Mirror Gp	143 †	+11	...	0.9	7.6
6,989.00	News Corp	376	-7	...	0.4	25.4
1,712.70	News Intl	248	-1	...	0.7	13.2
3,312.00	Pearson	600 †	-28	...	2.8	20.6
75.60	Portsmth Sund	630	-14	...	2.1	15.6
4,181.30	Reed Int	744	-26	...	3.3	22.5
34.80	Southnews	227	...	...	1.6	29.8
64.00	Sterling Pub	138 †	...	...	3.3	11.8
457.00	Telegraph	338	-8	...	4.8	11.9
4,139.70	Thomson Corp	715	-30	30.1	5.3	35.7
246.90	Trinity Intl	380 †	-6	...	3.2	17.9
3.73	Utd Group	35	...	...	...	...
1,252.70	Utd Newspaprs	513 †	+25	...	5.5	12.4

OILS, GAS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
100.70	Aran Energy	38½	-½	...	...	23.3
24.20	Arcon Intl	42	-1	...	...	...
	Ass Oil & Gas	63	+2½	...	...	...
15.80	Ariva Pet	50	+3	...	...	...
2.26	Beverley	6½ #	...	...	...	64.6
95.80	Br Borneo	213 †	+2	...	4.2	10.0
12,295.40	British Gas	283½	-6	...	6.4	...
22,399.20	Br Petroleum	409 †	-14½	...	2.8	22.4
26.30	Bula Resources	3½ #	...	...	...	...
1,698.00	Burmah Castrl	849	-11	...	4.1	16.7
49.90	Cairn Energy	77	+1	...	...	42.4
487.00	Calor Gp	289	+7	...	5.5	13.6
163.30	Clyde Pet	40 †	+1	...	1.1	...
21.80	Copley Res	13	+½	...	...	...
25.90	Dragon Oil	1½	...	...	...	...
7.65	Edin Oil & Gs	22	...	...	...	23.7
1,845.00	Enterprise	375 †	-9	...	5.3	...
54.70	Fairhaven Intl	22½	...	...	5.4	9.2
60.80	Fortune	5½	...	...	...	...
89.80	Goal Pet	67	...	...	2.7	22.3
49.20	Gt Western Res	43½	-2½	...	...	...
166.10	Hardy O & G	147	-1	...	0.9	18.8
76.10	Kelt Energy	30	-1	...	3.3	...
1,448.10	Lasmo	150	-½	...	0.8	...
3.69	Lasmo Units	52 †	...	7.8	18.8	...
465.80	Monument	70	...	...	...	74.8
4.91	New London	4	...	...	...	...
131.60	Oil Search	43	-1	...	...	...
	Petroz	37½	-1	...	...	...
70.50	Pict Pet	148	-½	...	...	∞
54.10	Pittencrieff Rs	94	-5	...	...	...
144.90	Premier	26½	-½	...	...	14.4
28.80	Presidio	113	-15	...	5.9	...
42.70	Ramco Egy	234	-6	...	0.3	...
359.40	Ranger	365	-28	...	5.4	...
36,738.90	Royal Dtch Fl	6653½	-265½	...	4.7	17.0
8,167.00	Schlumberger	3356½	-162½	...	2.2	...
34.40	Seafield	67	+6	...	...	...
23,238.20	Shell	701 †	-26	...	4.5	21.2
3.75	Sunrise Eng Sv	128	...	...	...	...
1,533.30	Woodside	230	+3	...	1.6	...
130.30	XCL	69	-6	...	...	...

PAPER, PRINT, ADVTG

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
25.00	AG Holdings	139	...	...	4.7	12.6
76.00	API	355	-7	...	3.0	22.3
1,099.20	Arjo Wiggins	345 †	-7	...	3.3	36.9
110.10	Abbott Mead	345	-11	...	2.1	31.2
207.70	Aegis Gp	25½	...	...	...	...
23.00	Aspen Coms	165	...	...	3.6	18.8
1.32	BBB Design	16	-4	...	...	8.2
118.90	Bemrose	374 †	-6	...	4.1	13.4
5.89	Birkdale	6½	...	...	...	...
667.90	Bunzl	182 †	-2	...	3.2	19.1
55.60	CIA Gp	176	...	...	1.6	22.0
46.50	Capital Inds	196 †	...	...	3.3	13.2
6.52	City of Lon	80	-1	...	6.6	12.7
24.70	Cropper (James)	300	-9	...	1.5	15.1
6.95	Delyn Group	82	+4	...	2.6	14.8
24.30	Dolphin Pack	104 †	-4½	...	5.4	13.4
7.90	Dudley Jenkins	69	...	...	6.2	14.6
35.50	Elswick	16½	...	...	2.5	17.9
26.60	Fairway Group	84	-7	...	5.1	15.7
136.50	Ferguson Intl	337	+32	...	4.8	14.2
16.50	Ferry Pick	123 †	...	...	5.8	...
53.50	Filofax	201 †	...	...	1.1	19.9
4.48	Fuen	12	...	...	...	...
12.60	Gibbon Lyons	139	...	...	4.9	13.0
46.20	Gold Greenless	175 †	-1	...	3.8	∞
10.10	Goodhead	75	-2	...	0.2	...
2.03	Hunterprint	3½	...	...	...	...
6.40	Interurope	12½ †	...	...	7.2	∞
111.30	Jarvis Porter	281	+3	...	2.3	20.2
11.10	Lopex	21	...	...	1.5	23.7
114.10	Mure O'Ferrall	351 †	+1	...	4.7	30.3
24.00	Osborne & Little	392	-1	...	2.1	14.3
8.37	Osprey Comms	32	...	...	0.4	...
464.00	Portals	715	-23	...	2.9	19.2
5.06	Premier Hlth	1½	-½	...	...	...
46.50	Quarto	253 †	-5	...	3.0	13.8
315.10	St Ives Gp	318 †	-1½	...	2.5	∞
341.20	Saatchi	155	...	...	...	30.2
1,625.60	Sappi	1082½	+123½	...	0.5	...
10.60	Serif	14½	...	...	...	...
63.60	Shandwick	47	...	...	1.1	7.1
811.70	Smith David	521	-3	...	2.6	23.2
2,011.30	Smurfit (Jeff)	375 †	-16½	...	1.5	53.3
1.64	Somic	82	...	...	3.8	8.8
39.30	Sta-Plus	163 †	-2	...	6.2	17.4
82.30	Taylor Nelson	37½	...	...	2.1	22.5
13.40	VTR	128	-2	...	3.9	20.3
15.90	WMGO	24	-½	...	2.6	11.7
763.70	WPP	106 †	-4	...	1.2	15.2
175.60	Wace	224	+5	...	2.2	14.7
231.00	Waddington (J)	223	+8	...	4.8	10.9
260.50	Watmough	387 †	+1	...	2.2	24.5
2.51	Whitney Mck	38	...	...	...	...
28.50	Wyndeham	129	...	...	2.2	16.7

PROPERTY

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
66.80	Allied Lon	96	...	...	5.2	12.0
27.90	Arcadian	40	-2	...	...	...
145.90	Argent	265	...	...	...	...
4.35	Ascot Hldgs	2½	-½	...	...	...
92.10	Asda	117 †	...	...	2.4	20.6
52.60	Avonside	121 †	-4	...	4.5	14.2
216.20	Bilton	246 †	-4	...	4.9	17.9
46.10	Bourne End	83	...	...	1.5	...
222.40	Bradford	188	+4	...	4.3	13.2
1,205.30	Br Land	393	-26	...	2.4	34.4
8.12	Brightstone	116 †	...	...	4.0	26.3
440.00	Brixton	189 †	-13	...	5.4	16.8
267.50	Burford	90	+1	...	2.2	29.2
98.00	CLS Hldgs	99 †	...	...	6.2	...
62.50	Cap & Regnl	137	...	...	1.5	30.9
749.80	Cap Shop Ctrs	306	+7	...	3.9	49.6
8.66	Cardiff Prop	223	-10	...	1.4	49.9
252.60	Chelsfield	161 †	-2	...	1.9	54.7
97.30	Chesterfield	494	-14	...	3.2	22.0
49.10	Chesterton Int	46	-1	...	4.3	13.5
9.70	City Site Ests	63	-1	...	...	...
11.40	Clarke Nickolls	71	+½	...	1.8	14.6
6.45	Compco	77½	...	...	6.3	∞
40.70	Conrad Rbtsn GS	34 †	-4	...	1.8	29.7
216.80	Daejan	1330	...	...	2.7	15.5
2.97	Dares Estates	8½	...	...	...	...
41.30	Debenhm Twn	98½	-1½	...	4.4	16.0
2.63	De Morgan	6	-½	...	...	...
30.50	Dencora	164	-1	...	2.5	46.1
78.40	Derwent Hldgs	252	-1	...	2.3	22.4
69.70	Development Sec	24 †	-½	...	0.5	...
23.60	Dwyer	46	...	...	...	...
19.50	Estates Agency	325 †	...	...	4.0	39.3
5.13	Estates Gen	24	+1½	...	...	...
14.50	Evans Of Leeds	112	...	...	2.6	19.6
30.60	Ex-Lands	27½	+½	...	1.9	∞
28.40	Fiscal Prop	65 †	...	...	1.2	...
22.90	Five Oaks	23½	-1	...	1.1	...
3.91	Fletcher King	45	-1	...	4.2	22.3
219.10	Frogmore	433 †	+8	...	4.9	15.6
50.90	Grainger	254	...	...	3.0	∞
585.70	Gt Portland	181	-7	...	5.5	34.5
152.50	Greycoat	121	...	...	...	...
4,012.90	HK Land	149	-9½	...	4.1	∞
148.20	Hambro Cntrw	45	+1	...	0.7	45.7
956.50	Hammerson	338 †	-8	...	3.7	33.9
58.30	Helical Bar	351 †	-3	...	2.2	12.6
49.10	Hemingway	30	-1	...	1.7	51.5
4.16	Herring Baker	26	...	...	1.6	...
14.00	Jermyn	140 †	-15	...	...	70.1
3,116.10	Land Sec	611	-16	...	4.9	17.3
239.20	Lon Merch Sec	98	-6	...	5.4	14.4
3.64	Lon & Metro	8	...	...	...	0.4
1,742.00	MEPC	428	-14	...	5.9	24.6
3.61	McInerney A	6	...	...	...	...
43.30	McKay Secs	181	...	...	3.6	17.9
11.60	Merivale Mre	66 †	-1	...	3.7	10.4
21.50	Moorfield Est	32	...	...	3.9	...
53.30	Mountview	1150½	-15½	...	2.4	11.5
147.40	Mucklow (A&J)	151	+4	...	5.3	19.6
1.29	OEM	21	...	...	...	...
16.70	Olives Prop	34	...	...	...	12.7
9.63	ORB	0½	-½	...	...	...
177.80	PSIT	146	...	...	4.0	20.7
193.10	Peel	242	...	...	2.3	∞
172.00	Pillar Prop	152	...	...	7.0	...
3.49	Power Corp	3	...	...	...	...
12.00	Premier Land	5½	-½	...	...	...
54.50	Raglan	33	...	...	...	12.1
28.70	Regalian	24½	-1½	...	...	9.5
21.20	Rowlinson Secs	170	...	...	1.3	10.8
19.30	Rugby Est	107 †	...	...	2.6	...
60.40	St Modwen Prp	51½	...	...	3.9	15.9
66.70	Saville Grdn (J)	66 †	-2	...	5.1	19.2
23.90	Savills	83	-1	...	4.5	10.2
110.80	Scot Met	85	-1	...	2.3	...
48.20	Shaftesbury	99	...	...	...	...
870.10	Slough Estates	223	-16	...	4.5	47.7
62.40	Southend Prop	58	-2	...	5.2	...
23.90	Speciy Shops	106	...	...	2.8	...
19.90	Stanhope Prps	12	+2	...	...	...
46.40	TBI	36	...	...	...	3.0
77.80	Tops Ests	168	...	...	1.6	40.0
125.70	Town Centre	122	+5	...	4.0	∞
61.80	Trafford Park	91 †	+1	...	4.3	∞
2.04	UK Land	47	+1	...	...	...
109.30	Warner	225	-1	...	6.2	21.6
86.40	Warnford	225	...	...	4.4	18.4
2.01	Waterglade	2 #	...	...	...	...
138.90	Watts	70	...	...	...	...
5.83	Wood John D	71	+1	...	3.5	∞

SHOES, LEATHER

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
2.11	Automagic	37	...	...	...	...
76.70	Chamb Phipps	172	-6	...	5.3	22.6
16.50	Lambert	134 †	-2	...	6.4	12.7
14.70	Pittards	68	...	...	3.3	...
35.80	Strong & Fisher	21	...	...	6.0	14.3
48.00	Stylo	165	...	...	2.0	11.1
19.20	UK Safety	50	...	...	6.6	12.0

TEXTILES

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
177.30	Allied Text	508	+3	...	3.2	15.6
4.89	Beckman (A)	40 †	-½	...	11.2	∞
3.16	Bolton Gp	17	-2	...	...	...
26.40	Br Mohair	199 †	...	...	5.3	30.5
170.60	Claremont Ga	316 †	+8	...	3.0	17.6
496.30	Courtauld Text	488 †	+19	...	3.7	21.9
271.60	Dawson	139	+2	...	2.7	...
5.12	Drummond	29	...	...	...	12.9
8.76	Faupel	75	...	...	8.2	12.7
2.14	Foster (John)	19	...	...	...	...
7.05	Gaskell	145 †	-2	...	3.7	...
56.30	Helene Plc	29½	...	...	8.7	11.9
57.80	Hicking Pnoist	231	-4	...	2.5	16.4
4.53	Jerome (S)	60 †	...	...	1.7	7.6
108.40	Lamont	360	-1	...	4.4	11.9
79.80	Leeds	278	+4	...	2.7	14.2
6.06	Lyles (S)	84	-3	...	5.4	8.5
15.10	Parkland	171	-5	...	3.7	10.2
155.80	Readicut	80	...	...	5.4	13.7
1.59	SEET	47	+1	...	...	...
52.80	Sirdar	98 †	-½	...	6.9	14.2
52.40	Stirling Gp	60	...	...	4.0	10.6
22.50	Stoddard	54	+1	...	5.9	12.8
13.30	Tomkinsons	214	...	...	6.7	30.2
27.00	Yorklyde	270	+4	...	2.9	13.0

TOBACCOS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
13,191.00	BAT	428 †	-27	...	6.0	11.2
2,728.20	Rothmans	411	+6	...	4.0	21.9

TRANSPORT

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1,095.90	Assoc Br Ports	280 †	-7	...	3.2	22.3
5,125.20	BAA	501	-7	...	2.2	21.3
150.30	Badgerline	119 †	...	...	4.3	...
3,600.30	Br Airways	377	-3	...	3.7	11.8
20.30	Clarkson (H)	91 †	+6	...	3.4	22.9
928.80	Eurotunnel Uts	209	-19	...	...	...
12.00	Fisher (James)	50	...	...	...	...
38.10	IoM Steam	127	...	...	4.3	9.7
16.40	Jacobs (JI)	55 †	+1	...	3.8	...
65.10	Lon O'Seas Frts	89	...	...	5.2	2.1
357.60	Mersey Docks	400 †	...	...	3.0	19.4
124.00	Natl Express	210	+2	...	3.1	17.9
1,226.40	NFC	177	-2	...	5.0	27.2
394.80	Ocean Group	256 †	-2	...	7.0	12.9
27.80	Ocean Wilson	70	-1	...	5.7	9.0
3,581.90	P & O Dfd	595 †	-43	...	6.4	18.4
132.60	P & O 5.5%	190	...	...	3.5	...
361.30	Powell Duffryn	545	-6	...	5.4	15.5
24.00	Seacon	97	...	...	3.0	22.0
309.80	Stagecoach	218	+4	...	2.4	21.7
619.30	TNT	109	-5	...	...	...
316.50	Tibbet & Britten	716 †	+3	...	2.6	19.3
39.90	Tiphook	3½	...	...	...	...
308.70	TDG	209 †	...	...	5.7	14.0
32.70	Ugland	135	...	...	0.7	∞
34.90	Utd Carriers	103 †	+1	...	1.9	...

WATER

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1,623.70	Anglian	548	+9	...	5.2	14.3
55.60	Mid Kent Hdgs	325	...	...	4.4	11.0
468.50	Northumbrian	685	+21	...	4.4	7.4
2,051.20	North West	547	-10½	...	5.3	6.2
2,021.60	Severn Trent	560	...	...	5.1	7.9
989.80	Southern	585	-7	...	4.9	6.5
100.50	South Staffs	1728	-2	...	3.8	11.5
666.50	South West	539	+1	...	6.0	7.3
2,056.50	Thames	518	-3	...	5.4	5.9
922.30	Welsh	635	-7	...	5.0	7.0
780.10	Wessex	621	+11	...	4.7	6.2
1,058.20	Yorkshire	527	+1½	...	5.4	7.7

Source: Finstat

▲ USM; # Price at suspension; † Ex dividend; ‡ Ex scrip; * Ex rights issue; ↓ Ex all; § Ex capital distribution; ∞ Figures or report awaited; ... No significant data.

BRITISH FUNDS

SHORTS (under 5 years)

Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
1,900	Treas 9% 1994	100¾ †	...	8.97	...
2,350	Treas 12% 1995	101[illegible]	-¼	11.82	5.67
214	Gas 3% 1990-95	98[illegible]	+[illegible]	3.04	5.84
2,500	Exch 10¼% 1995	102[illegible]	-¼	9.98	6.52
840	Treas 12¾% 1995	105[illegible]	-[illegible]	12.03	6.89
770	Treas 14% 1996	108	-¼	12.96	7.10
1,150	Treas 15¼% 1996	111¼ †	-[illegible]	13.71	7.34
800	Exch 13¼% 1996	108½ †	-[illegible]	12.21	7.42
3,409	Conv 10% 1996	104½ †	-[illegible]	9.60	7.78
1,200	Treas 13¼% 1997	110[illegible]	-¼	11.08	7.94
3,700	Exch 10½% 1997	105[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.99	7.98
5,550	Treas 8¾% 1997	101[illegible]	-[illegible]	8.63	8.17
830	Exch 15% 1997	117[illegible]	-¼	12.78	8.30
3,550	Exch 9¾% 1998	103[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.41	8.41
8,150	Treas 7¼% 1998	96[illegible]	-[illegible]	7.50	8.38
1,303	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	95 †	-¼	7.11	8.39
900	Treas 14% 1998-01	116[illegible] †	-[illegible]	12.03	8.56
935	Treas 15½% 1998	123[illegible]	-¼	12.60	8.46
3,909	Exch 12% 1998	111[illegible] †	-[illegible]	10.76	8.56
1,900	Treas 9½% 1999	103[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.21	8.54

MEDIUMS (5 to 15 years)

Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
9,900	Treas 6% 1999	90[illegible]	-[illegible]	6.65	8.52
3,090	Exch 12¼% 1999	113[illegible]	-[illegible]	10.84	8.63
1,252	Treas 10½% 1999	107 †	-[illegible]	9.81	8.61
1,798	Conv 10¼% 1999	106[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.63	8.66
5,358	Conv 9% 2000	101½	-¼	8.86	8.59
3,171	Treas 13% 2000	118½	-[illegible]	10.96	8.77
4,350	Treas 7% 2001	91[illegible] †	-[illegible]	7.67	8.66
4,406	Treas 10% 2001	105[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.45	8.77
6,527	Treas 9¾% 2002	105[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.27	8.80
7,950	Treas 8% 2003	95[illegible]	-[illegible]	8.38	8.73
2,503	Treas 10% 2003	107[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.33	8.79
1,620	Treas 11½% 2001-04	112[illegible]	-[illegible]	10.25	8.95
543	Fund 3½% 1999-04	72[illegible]	-[illegible]	4.61	7.48
6,500	Treas 6¾% 2004	87½ †	-¼	7.73	8.63
3,412	Conv 9½% 2004	104[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.05	8.73
4,842	Conv 9½% 2005	105[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.02	8.70
2,200	Treas 12½% 2003-05	121[illegible] †	-¼	10.31	9.02
2,000	Treas 8% 2002-06	94[illegible]	-[illegible]	8.43	8.68
3,900	Treas 7¾% 2006	93[illegible]	-[illegible]	8.39	8.62
3,150	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	115[illegible]	-[illegible]	10.18	9.02
7,197	Treas 8½% 2007	98[illegible]	-[illegible]	8.60	8.63
1,250	Treas 13½% 2004-08	127[illegible]	-¼	10.55	9.01
5,321	Treas 9% 2008	102[illegible]	-[illegible]	8.74	8.61

LONGS (over 15 years)

Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
3,100	Treas 8% 2009	94[illegible]	-¼	8.43	8.61
5,273	Conv 9% 2011	103¼	-[illegible]	8.70	8.58
5,151	Treas 9% 2012	103[illegible]	-[illegible]	8.67	8.56
1,000	Treas 5½% 2008-12	73[illegible]	-[illegible]	7.44	8.31
800	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	92[illegible]	-1¼	8.41	8.49
5,250	Treas 8% 2013	95[illegible]	-1	8.41	8.51
1,000	Exch 12% 2013-17	130[illegible]	-1[illegible]	9.22	8.71
7,150	Treas 8¾% 2017	102[illegible]	-1[illegible]	8.54	8.48

UNDATED

Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
1,909	War Ln 3½%	41[illegible]	-¼	8.52	...
475	Treas 2½%	28[illegible]	-[illegible]	8.64	...

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Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
1,200	Treas IL 2% 1996	200	+[illegible]	2.62	4.04
800	Treas IL 4⅝% 1998	107¼ †	...	2.68	3.53
1,500	Treas IL 2½% 2001	166	+[illegible]	3.35	3.79
1,300	Treas IL 2½% 2003	162 †	+[illegible]	3.46	3.81
1,000	Treas IL 4⅝% 2004	108[illegible]	-[illegible]	3.48	3.81
1,650	Treas IL 2% 2006	168[illegible]	+¼	3.55	3.81
1,650	Treas IL 2½% 2009	152¼ †	+[illegible]	3.60	3.83
2,100	Treas IL 2½% 2011	157[illegible]	+[illegible]	3.63	3.84
2,300	Treas IL 2½% 2013	129[illegible]	-¼	3.65	3.84
2,700	Treas IL 2½% 2016	138[illegible]	...	3.69	3.80
2,750	Treas IL 2½% 2020	132[illegible]	...	3.72	3.87
2,100	Treas IL 2½% 2024	110[illegible]	...	3.71	3.85
1,300	Treas IL 4⅛% 2030	109[illegible]	...	3.74	3.89

هكذا صنع الأصل

RESULTS AND STATISTICS

TODAY

Interims: Aetna Malaysian, Boeing (q3), Caterpillar (q3), Cullen's Holdings, Dunlop Plantations, Guardian Media Group, Moss Bros, Norsk Hydro (q3), John Swire, Texaco (q3). **Finals:** Ivory & Sime Enterprise Capital

TOMORROW

Interims: Blacks Leisure Group, Boxmore International, Bradford Property Trust, Contra-cyclical, Eastman Kodak (q3), Edinburgh Investment Trust, El Oro Mining Exploration Company, Exxon (q3), Goodyear (q3), Govett Oriental Investment Trust, Lep Group, Northern Telecom (q3), Ocean Wilsons, Phillips Petroleum (q3), RJR Nabisco (q3), Venturi Investment Trust. **Finals:** Mckechnie, Scottish Metropolitan, Sunset & Vine, UDO Holdings, Wolseley. **Economic Statistics:** CBI Industrial Trends Survey (Oct)

WEDNESDAY

Interims: Abtrust Lloyd's Insurance Trust (q1), Gieves Group, London Smaller Companies Investment Trust, Midland & Scottish Resources, Securities Trust of Scotland. **Finals:** Blackwood Hodge, BM Group, Bridport-Gundry, Centregold, *Data General Corporation*, Essex Furniture, Murray Split Capital Trust, Trace Computers. **Economics statistics:** Bricks and Cement Production and Deliveries (q3) Mortgage Possession Statistics (q3)

THURSDAY

Interims: Broadcastle, Country Casual Holdings, Daks Simpson, Fleming Income & Capital, Gerrard & National, I&S UK Smaller Company's Trust, London & Metropolitan, NEC Corporation, Toshiba Corp, SKF (n), Scottish Mortgage Trust, Shiloh. **Finals:** British Assets Trust, Fleming Japanese Investment Trust, ICI (q3), Investors Capital Trust, London & ST Lawrence, Majedie Investments, Morgan Grenfell Equity, Overseas Investment Trust. **Economic statistics:** New Earnings Survey 1994 part C: Analyses by Industry Energy Trends (Aug); New Vehicle Registrations (Sep); Digest of Agricultural Census Statistics for UK (1993).

FRIDAY

Interims: Campari International, Craig & Rose, Gresham House, Laser-Scan Holdings, Union International. **Finals:** Benchmark Group, Deutschland Investment Corporation. **Economic statistics:** Major British Banking Groups' Mortgage Lending (Sept)

COMPANIES — MICHAEL CLARK

Fashion for quality suits Moss Bros

MOSS BROS: The success this summer of the film *Four Weddings and a Funeral* and the subsequent fashion for formal menswear should have given a useful boost to Moss Bros, the clothing retailer and hirer, which reports interim profits today. Rowland Gee, the group's managing director, pleased the City earlier this year when he announced a 77 per cent rise in profits for 1993 to £4.1 million. Analysts are looking for a further improvement this year, since Mr Gee reported that like-for-like sales in the first few months were running 12.5 per cent higher. The consensus forecast is £5.3 million. But Moss makes most of its profits in the Christmas period and the January sales, so profits for the first half are only likely to be around £750,000.

Retail analysts will want to hear what share of the UK suit market Moss has captured through its store development programme. They will also take careful note of Mr Gee's comments on the start of the build-up to Christmas in the high street.

ICI: The only company among the top 100 reporting next week when it unveils third-quarter figures on Thursday. The recent flurry in the share price indicates that brokers may be looking for something a little out of the ordinary from the group. Indeed, NatWest Securities, the broker, is confident that there should be little evidence of the usual seasonal downturn in profits and says the figures will in fact "sparkle". It is forecasting a leap of 93 per cent in profits at the pre-tax level to £135 million boosting earnings a share by almost 80 per cent to 10p.

The group's performance should be enhanced by dramatic product price increases coming through in petrochemicals, plastics and some bulk inorganic chemicals. The paints division comes into its own during the third quarter with strong volume growth expected on the decorative side. However, this will be offset to a certain extent by the rising cost of raw materials applying pressure to margins.

The materials division is also expected to make a solid contribution with acrylics and polyurethanes responding well to the economic upturn in the US, while strong trading in Australia will benefit explosives. Industrial chemicals are enjoying strong price and volume growth and should benefit most from the unusual seasonal strength.

WOLSELEY: Full-year figures from the building supplies group tomorrow should show a healthy increase in pre-tax profits of about 60 per cent to £195 million. Trading patterns should be similar to those achieved during the first half, which showed volume growth in both plumbing and heating and evidence of improved net margins.

Trading conditions in France are thought to have been solid, with the group also making the move into Austria. In the US, most of its operations have been firing on all cylinders helped by a high level of housing activity with signs of bottoming out in California.

The group's manufacturing activities remain a mixed bag, with no clear trend emerging, although heating is known to be doing well.

McKECHNIE: Brokers are finding it difficult to forecast the outcome of full year figures tomorrow with the figures distorted by the group's heavy acquisition programme which included the £27.8 million purchase of Linread back in June. McKechnie was one of the first companies to go into recession and brokers now take the view that it should be one of the first to benefit from the upturn. Market estimates range from £30 million to £33 million compared with £24 million last time.

These figures should enjoy a first-time contribution from the group's timely £47 million acquisition of Savage, the DIY hardware supplier. Half-year figures revealed a strong performance from the group's Pacific-based plumbing supplies business and evidence that Europe may be on the mend.

The only question-mark hangs over McKechnie's US packaging business which lost £2.1 million in the first six months. According to the company, the business was on target for recovery in the second half after management changes and reductions in capacity.



Good figures promise to bring Rowland Gee and Moss Bros a merry Christmas

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Sunday Times: Buy: **John I bert Fisher Jacobs.** Hold: **Wolseley, Zeneca**
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Independent on Sunday: Buy: **BP, Wolseley, Coal Investments**
Mail on Sunday: Buy: **T&S Stores, Beales Hunter, Prestwick**

CBI surveys in spotlight

There is only one important piece of British economic news expected this week, but US figures at the end of the week may prove just as important to London markets. Tomorrow, the Confederation of British Industry publishes its quarterly industrial trends survey and its October monthly trends survey. The first provides the latest view of business optimism, which will be closely read in the City to see whether confidence has been knocked by the September 12 rate rise.

The other crucial element — with the quarterly survey looking back and the monthly forwards — is manufacturers' pricing. Evidence in recent CBI surveys that more manufacturers now intend to raise their prices was one of the main reasons cited by Eddie George, Governor of the Bank of England, in counselling the Chancellor in favour of an early rate rise.

The other main reason for the decision was rapid second-quarter growth. Last Friday's Central Statistical Office figures showed GDP growth had slowed to 0.7 per cent in the third quarter from 1.1 per cent in the second. Some in the City believe this removes one justification for raising rates again but leaves the spotlight firmly on the CBI's survey evidence of price intentions.

A positive balance of 12 per cent of manufacturers intended to raise prices over the next four months in July's monthly trends survey. However, over the previous four months, their prices fell. Crucial to the perceptions of the markets about interest rate policy is whether, yet again, companies' hopes of higher margins have been dashed by the unwillingness of end-customers to accept price rises. The UK gilts market had recently started to look healthier because of low inflation and slowing growth. But on Friday, with other bond markets, gilts slid on the US turmoil.

Wall Street is suffering from persistent fears that the Fed has not raised interest rates sufficiently to slow the US economy and to stamp out inflationary pressures. These fears have been exacerbated by the dollar's slump to new lows against the yen and mark. Crucial to US sentiment will be Friday's preliminary figures for US third-quarter GDP. Estimates suggest US growth slowed significantly from the previous quarter to between 2.5 per cent and 2.8 per cent. Second-quarter growth had been 4.4 per cent. If growth turns out higher than these estimates, speculation will intensify that another rise in US rates will be needed and that will be damaging to all bond and stock markets.

JANET BUSH

Computer companies 'kept RSI dangers secret'

Several American computer companies have known for years from internal studies that the design of their keyboards contributes to repetitive strain injury but never altered the design or warned customers, a top New York lawyer told *The Times*. She said the evidence, along with that of former employees of the companies, will be made public this month during legal actions that could lead to damages awards worth billions of dollars.

The lawyer, Danielle Goodman, of Levy, Phillips and Konigsberg, believes almost all the main US and Japanese computer companies and keyboard manufacturers have suppressed information that could have saved thousands of people from the complaint. RSI can, many believe, result in permanent damage to hands and lower arms, forcing people to give up work.

Documents that appear to indicate that *The New York Times* was kept in the dark from early 1991 about the characteristics of a new, lighter-touch keyboard by Atex, its supplier, are in the possession of *The Times*. In one letter to Atex, a *New York Times* executive writes: "I must know why this was deliberately withheld from us ... and allowed to remain such a deep, dark secret within Atex."

An internal memo from Stanley Kaplan, the newspaper's computer systems director, reports a conversation he had with Atex's chief attorney about why the drawbacks of the new keyboard were not disclosed. "He said it was upon advice from their outside counsel. Due to the lawsuits that are pending over the standard keyboard, they feel that they are in a life-and-death matter for the continued survival of their company."

Because of the scale of the problem, the paper has launched a joint research programme with IBM to develop a computer that transforms words spoken at a microphone into text on the screen.

Dr Emil Pascarelli, professor of clinical medicine at Columbia University and a leading US authority on RSI, believes the complaint has several causes — but he insists that the current, standard keyboard design is one of them. Some big US computer companies tested out various keyboards on employees, he believes, but did not pass the results on to the medical profession.

In August, Compaq announced that it would stick notices on all its computers, reading: "Warning! To reduce risk of serious injury to hands, wrists or other joints, read safety and comfort guide."

This announcement was greeted by IBM with apparent concern. A spokesman said: "The word 'warning' indicates some sort of problem, and our view is that there are no scientific studies that show that."

Two weeks later, Microsoft unveiled a new keyboard, with the keys split into a V-shape, as recommended by RSI specialist doctors.

Ms Goodman says: "We are going to keep going ... until we get all of the documents that are currently being denied to us by the computer companies. We may lose a couple of cases along the way, but in the end we will win. Then they are going to compensate our clients for the injuries they've caused."

If that happens, the cost to the industry could be colossal, eating into profits and undermining share values.

SEAN MAC CARTHAIGH

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GILT-EDGED

Recovery goes hand in hand with a global revival

Gilt yields have fallen in response to low inflation, the Bank of England's pre-emptive tightening and the prospect of a tight Budget. Having discounted this good news the spread of gilts over other markets has narrowed, hitting a six-month low against German Bunds before the Federal elections.

But gilt yields will not fall further in isolation because of two risks. First, the UK's poor inflation record. Although labour market flexibility has allowed inflation to ease, investors will remain concerned that the economy is growing above its sustainable rate. The lack of prior investment still points to capacity constraints unless growth slows further.

Second, sterling is still a soft currency. Despite the improvement in the current account deficit attention should not be diverted from the non-oil trade deficit. This remains high, showing that Britain still has a longer-term trade problem.

A further decline in gilt yields thus requires an improvement in international bond market sentiment. But the immediate outlook for world bonds is poor. World markets continue to discount a strong global recovery, triggering rising inflation and higher official interest rates. The recent sharp rise in commodity prices both reflects this view and adds to inflation concerns. And supply worries persist. Consequently investors who have already had a torrid year are unlikely to commit net new money to bonds.

One lesson this year is that markets in Europe and Japan have not been able to decouple fully from events in the US. A recovery in US bonds is a prerequisite for a better performance elsewhere. But US bonds will not rally until there is concrete evidence of an economic slowdown, dampening inflation expectations and fears of further Fed tightening. This will be some months off, allowing global bond yields to fall when it does.

There is still intense, international competition. This is best seen in the UK and the US, which are both well into their recoveries. Any attempt by producers or retailers to pass on higher commodity

Sentiment in bond markets must show improvement for yields to decline further

prices has not been successful. Any price hikes have not stuck, but have had to be reversed, as the latest US producer price data and UK retail price data has shown.

But even if commodity prices are rising, this need not result in higher inflation. Labour costs, which are more important than commodity prices, remain low. With companies in the UK and on the continent still shedding full-time jobs or using existing workers more efficiently the phenomenally strong productivity growth that characterised the US recovery could be repeated here and elsewhere.

International pressures still point to downsizing and cost-cutting. Even though South East Asia accounts for a relatively small proportion of world trade, the production there of low-price, high-quality goods is having a significant impact on the behaviour of international companies. As western countries seek inward investment from Asia this will add to downward pressure on costs. Last year, hourly compensation in the UK's manufacturing sector was $12.82. This was significantly less than the $16.34 medium for industrialised countries and Germany's $25.56 but well in excess of Korea's $5.37 or Taiwan's $5.23.

Global policy stances are adding to disinflationary pressures. Central banks continue to pursue tough anti-inflation policies, whilst political parties of the left or right are seeking tight fiscal policies. In the UK, this has already resulted in a slowdown in growth as Friday's GDP data showed. A further slowdown is inevitable. Tax increases are in the pipeline and the Bank of England is still set to push base rates towards 7 per cent by the middle of next year.

The global economy may already be shifting from an inflationary era to one of low inflation. This is good news for the longer-end of bond markets, which should recover early next year. Gilts will share in this improved outlook.

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SIA stays most profitable airline

BY NEIL BENNETT
DEPUTY BUSINESS EDITOR

SINGAPORE Airlines has reinforced its position as the world's most profitable airline with a 31 per cent rise in pre-tax profits for the half-year to September 30 to S$444 million (£184 million). The airline expanded capacity by almost a tenth, opening new routes and expanding others, during the six months.

British Airways, which publishes its own interim figures shortly, was ranked second last year when it made a £301 million profit against SIA's £370 million. SIA's result will be hard to beat.

SIA attributed its growth in profits to the economic recovery in the industrialised world and low fuel costs. Revenues grew 7 per cent to S$3.2 billion.

The airline plans to expand by 10 per cent a year early into the next century and recently placed a $10.3 billion order for 52 aircraft with Boeing and Airbus, increasing its fleet to 111 aircraft by 2003.

The half-year dividend remains at 57.5 cents.

☐ Brian Mawhinney, the Transport Secretary, is to visit the United States next month in an attempt to restart stalled negotiations on transatlantic air services. So far, however, Federico Peña, his US opposite number, has not given any indication that he is prepared even to meet Dr Mawhinney, let alone reopen talks that collapsed earlier this year when it became obvious that the two sides could find no further common ground.

Date set for top awards

Coopers &Lybrand
PLC AWARDS

THE Coopers & Lybrand Awards, one of the City's most prestigious annual events, will again be staged in association with *The Times*.

The PLC Awards for 1994 will be presented on March 9 at the Grosvenor House hotel, London. Graham Cole, the partner at Coopers & Lybrand who has masterminded them, said: "We are delighted *The Times* is once again supporting the event, which has become one of the highlights of the City's social calendar." More than 1,100 people will attend.

Awards will be presented for company, entrepreneur, new company, best performing smaller company fund, best performing share and best annual report. Company of the year in 1993 was Rotork, the engineer that specialises in electrical valve activators. New company of the year was Roxboro, the electrical components manufacturer.

Generator fights price formula as distributor pays out excess cash



Power struggle: John Gray, finance director, left, and Roger Young, Scottish Hydro's chief executive, who are fighting Offer's price controls

Hydro may go to MMC over regulator's stance

BY MARTIN WALLER, DEPUTY CITY EDITOR

THE electricity industry regulator, responsible for curbing prices, this week faces his toughest challenge yet, from Scottish Hydro-Electric, the smaller of the two Scots generators.

Some observers think Hydro may be prepared to go to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, an unprecedented move for the electricity industry, rather than accept Professor Stephen Littlechild's latest price controls, announced last month.

Evidence of the company's intransigence strengthened late last week when the board emerged from a special meeting to decide its strategy without a formal decision. Hydro has the option, if it will not accept the ruling, of requiring Professor Littlechild to go to the MMC for a time-consuming full review.

The company has only until next Monday, the end of the month, to decide. But a spokesman would only comment: "We will make an announcement to the Stock Exchange as soon as we have made up our minds."

Analysts say Hydro could merely be trying to unsettle Professor Littlechild by leaving a formal capitulation until the last possible moment. But many believe the company would rather create a confrontation and take its chances with the MMC than accept a ruling it sees as manifestly unfair. ScottishPower, the other Scottish company, was less harshly dealt with by the regulator and is thought likely to accept, although no formal announcement has been made.

But Hydro is deeply aggrieved by the severity of the terms imposed by the Office of Electricity Regulation. Some at the company feel that Professor Littlechild, who is widely believed to have given the electricity distributors in England and Wales an easy ride in August, then decided to crack down too hard on the Scots to improve his standing in the industry.

Hydro is expected to base its case to the MMC on two relevant points. While Professor Littlechild allowed ScottishPower and the English and Welsh companies a rate of return on capital of 6 to 7 per cent, for Hydro it was set at just 3.5 per cent.

In addition, the formal ruling from Offer makes it explicit that relying on the same methodology used in England and Wales would have allowed Hydro to raise charges by as much as 26 per cent. But Professor Littlechild made it clear he was "not convinced" by the comparison, and Hydro was therefore to be required to cut charges. The ruling sent shares in both companies sharply into reverse, but the fall was greatest for Hydro.

Dividend bonus at East Midlands

BY OUR CITY STAFF

SHAREHOLDERS in East Midlands Electricity, the regional distributor chaired by Nigel Rudd, are to receive an early Christmas present: a special £156 million dividend.

Details of the payout, to be distributed between 250,000 shareholders, and thought to be worth about 85p a share, are expected today. The move follows a long rationalisation under Mr Rudd, also chairman of Williams Holdings.

The decision to distribute surplus cash bucks the industry trend towards share buybacks. Each of the 12 regional electricity companies has won shareholder permission to buy back up to 10 per cent of their equity, but not all have done so. Until now, electricity companies have preferred buybacks to special dividends as they do not pose tax problems. But East Midlands is thought to have resolved the tax difficulties over its dividend, and ensured it will be treated as income, not a capital gain.

More than £1 billion in surplus cash has been spent on buy-backs. Three weeks ago, London Electricity became the eighth regional electricity company to follow this route. East Midlands, Southern and Yorkshire are among the abstainers.

It emerged in July that two East Midlands directors shared a £99,000 pay-off, despite opting for early retirement after disastrous diversifications. Mike Carus, former finance director, and Keith Jackson, former marketing director, received the money as compensation for loss of office. The company said the payoffs were an agreed proportion of their unexpired contracts.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

VSEL defends boost for finance director

VSEL, the submarine builder, has defended its decision to double the length of its finance director's contract only hours before it received an agreed bid from British Aerospace. The change means that Rob Holden, who only became finance director in March, stands to receive an extra £97,500 pay-off if he loses his job after a BAe takeover. A spokesman for the shipbuilder said, however, that the change was only a formality after Mr Holden had successfully completed a probationary period as finance director. "This was really only bringing him into line with everybody else. All it was doing was formalising what he is due as a main board director," the spokesman said.

The change to the contract was prepared hurriedly the day before BAe made its offer after weeks of negotiations. VSEL says that the boost to the contract had been due since July, when Mr Holden's appointment was confirmed at the company's annual meeting.

Tory 'no' to post sell-off

A MORI poll taken just before today's Cabinet sub-committee meeting to decide on the future of the Post Office shows that a quarter of Conservative backbench MPs want it to remain in public hands. The poll sought the views of a random sample of one fifth of Conservative backbenchers (54) and concludes that 24 per cent of them support an integrated Post Office in the public sector with greater commercial freedom.

Bank numbers 'will fall'

THE number of international banks will fall through overcapacity, lower margins and more competition from non-banking institutions, Andrew Buxton, Barclays chairman, told a Kuwait conference hosted by the Gulf Co-operation Council and National Bank of Kuwait. He said: "For many banks, the challenges will prove too great to meet single-handed. I would not be surprised if there were an increasing number of mergers, joint ventures and alliances."

City mission in Beirut

BRITISH Invisibles, which represents the UK financial and business services industry, today descends on Beirut for the first visit by a City delegation since the civil war ended three years ago. The aim is to try to rebuild links with the former banking centre of the Middle East. The mission is headed by John Manser, chairman of Robert Fleming, and coincides with the inaugural London-Beirut flight of British Mediterranean Airways.

Card fraud losses double

LOSSES arising from the counterfeiting of credit cards have doubled in the UK in the past three years, threatening the long-term future of the card payment system, a report has claimed. Counterfeiting "has the potential to damage the integrity of the card payment system and undermine confidence," according to a police report obtained by BBC 2's *The Money Programme*. More than $250 million is thought to be lost to credit card counterfeiting worldwide.

Weary Walker jury given a day off

—BY JON ASHWORTH

THE jury deciding the fate of George Walker, former head of the Brent Walker empire, resumes its task today. The jurors, who have now spent a week in purdah, were allowed to finish early on Saturday afternoon after telling the judge they were too tired to go on.

The 11 Southwark Crown Court jurors closeted in the Chichester Rents annexe on Chancery Lane sent a note to Judge Geoffrey Rivlin QC. It said: "Your Honour, we feel we have reached the point after six days where we just cannot concentrate sufficiently. We do not honestly think it fair to the defendants to continue too much longer today."

The nine men and two women, who heard 82 witnesses in the four-and-a-half month trial, were given Sunday off. Mr Walker, 65, ousted as chairman and chief executive of Brent Walker in 1991, is alleged to have "orchestrated" a £19.3 million profits fraud with the assistance of his co-defendant Wilfred Aquilina, 43, former group finance director. The pair deny two joint charges of false accounting, one of theft and one of conspiracy to falsify accounts.

Mr Walker, of High Road, Fobbing, Essex, denies three extra theft charges. Mr Aquilina, of Suffolk Road, Barnes, Southwest London, denies another false accounting charge.



Good reception: Shares in Filtronic Comtek, the mobile telecom equipment maker chaired by David Rhodes, are expected to open at 110p, a 5p premium over their placing price

TOURIST RATES

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.35	2.16
Austria Sch	18.10	16.60
Belgium Fr	53.22	48.82
Canada $	2.319	2.159
Cyprus Cyp£	0.779	0.729
Denmark Kr	10.12	9.32
Finland Mkk	8.07	7.37
France Fr	8.83	8.13
Germany Dm	2.58	2.37
Greece Dr	389.00	364.00
Hong Kong $	13.23	12.23
Ireland Pt	1.07	0.99
Italy Lira	2575.00	2420.00
Japan Yen	173.00	156.00
Malta	0.623	0.568
Netherlds Gld	2.875	2.645
Norway Kr	11.18	10.38
Portugal Esc	260.00	241.50
S Africa Rd	ref.	5.47
Spain Pta	210.00	196.00
Sweden Kr	12.18	11.38
Switzerland Fr	2.17	1.99
Turkey Lira	refer	55317.0
USA $	1.727	1.597

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US dollar
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German mark
2.4345 (+0.0149)
Exchange index
80.4 (+0.8)
Bank of England official close (4pm)

STOCK MARKET

FT 30 share
2333.7 (-57.5)
FT-SE 100
3032.8 (-73.9)
New York Dow Jones
3891.30 (-19.17)
Tokyo Nikkei Avge
19899.08 (-70.21)

WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 48

HAWKSHAW
(c) A detective, an eponym from the name of a detective in *The Ticket-of-Leave Man* (1863), a play by Tom Taylor, English dramatist (1817-1880); also in the comic strip *Hawkshaw the Detective*, by Gus Mager, American cartoonist (d. 1956). "He didn't even whimper when the village Hawkshaw snapped the bracelets on his wrist."

INANGA
(a) The New Zealand name for a small fish, *Galaxias attenuatus*, the young form of which is called whitebait. Also *inaka*, the South Island form. "Every year shoals of the tiny, delicious inanga fish come up the creeks from the sea."

KANGANY
(a) An overseer or headman of a gang of local labourers in Sri Lanka, southern India, and Malaya. From the Tamil *kan* eye + *kāni* to see: "Several Tamil headmen — *Kanganies* — are sent to India with recruiting licences. Each Kangany will go to his own village in South India."

METTWURST
(b) A type of smoked German sausage, the German word: "Mettwurst can be found in the form of a small sausage ('ends'), or a horseshoe-shaped 'Westphalian' ring. Very heavily smoked; lightly spiced, no garlic. Mettwurst is eaten cold, sliced, but is also very good poached, sliced fairly thickly and served with boiled potatoes and cabbage."

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE
1 ... Qd7! and if 2 Qxd7 Rf1+ mating. Full marks also for 1 ... Qc6 or 1 ... Qe4

Vogue for French underwear stretches to East Europeans

BY COLIN NARBROUGH, WORLD TRADE CORRESPONDENT

CITIZENS of the former Soviet bloc are developing a taste for stylish French underwear to keep them warm as winter approaches. Emminence, a leading French underwear maker, is using an innovative barter deal to use spare production capacity and secure brand leadership in that part of the world.

Trevor Edwards, the managing director of the British arm of Attwood Richards, an international barter group based in New York, said a $6 million deal his company had struck with Emminence was fresh evidence of increasingly sophisticated consumer markets in the former communist countries.

Attwood is distributing a million items of Emminence's Athena brand undergarments and casual wear for men, from boxer shorts and Y-fronts to T-shirts and jogging kit, all cotton and all made in France. "You can't sell poly-cotton to these people," Mr Edwards said. Russians, for all their troubles, demanded quality goods, he added. One of Attwood's recent deals was for Salisbury brand handbags, briefcases and costume jewellery. A leather briefcase selling at £95 in Britain fetched $450 in Moscow.

Attwood, which set up its UK office only a year ago, has made a speciality of remarketing brand goods outside manufacturers' mainstream markets. The aim is to offload excess stock, or utilise idle production capacity, without damaging products' main markets. Selling goods to the former Soviet bloc brings much higher returns than offering them at cut prices in main markets.

Putting demanding Eastern Europeans into smart French pants is not the product of a simple barter deal, in which goods are traded without cash. Attwood's method is to act as principal, responsible for payment to the company whose goods it is remarketing. In the Emminence deal, the French company is being paid half in currency and half in cotton yarn, transportation, media time and catalogues obtained by Attwood in other transactions.

Daniel Switala, Emminence's president, believes his Athena deal will set the pattern for textile sales to Eastern Europe. It has enabled his company, which hopes to return to break-even this year, after losses during the recession, to increase exports' share of sales to 18 per cent this year, from 15 per cent in 1993.

An earlier barter deal with Zannier, a large children's clothes maker in France, entailed Attwood selling a million items of excess stock in Eastern Europe at 85 per cent of normal wholesale prices, compared with 25-30 per cent usually obtained by liquidators.

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The Chancellor should take the pain out of gain



OLIVER STANLEY

Of all the taxes to which we are subject, none has been more revised, extended, relieved and generally mucked about than capital gains tax. There is now a general view that the time has come — in this year's Budget — to rethink.

Before 1962, when Selwyn Lloyd first taxed capital gains, you could make profits on the sale of land, houses, stocks and shares free of tax unless you were dealing in those assets by way of a trade or business. That meant taxation at income tax rates (up to 88.75 per cent) if resale occurred within three years of purchase for land, and within six months of purchase for stocks and shares. The Chancellor excused himself by announcing his new tax was intended to give "a greater sense of fair treatment". It came in with the announcement of the 1961 Pay Pause — not entirely a coincidence.

This was the precedent for the 1965 version which Lord Kaldor and his team devised. All gains, irrespective of the ownership period, were to be taxed at three-quarters of the income tax rate. But in 1988, capital gains became fully chargeable to income tax, or corporation tax. Nigel Lawson, inexplicably, could perceive no difference between streams of income, which come in every year, and capital gains which might occur once in a lifetime on the realisation of a business or other significant asset. The consensus now is that this lamentable error of principle needs to be reversed because there is, indeed, a fundamental economic difference between short- and long-term gains, one which should be reflected in different tax treatment.

"Short-term" implies buying shares, land and so on with a view to resale at a profit. "Long-term" includes the gains you make in the course of, or at the end of, a business career, when you float off your company, sell out to Gigantic Imperial Enterprises, or otherwise realise the product of years of endeavour.

At present, the system for taxing all capital gains is penal and practically unworkable. That is because it mostly charges tax at the rate of 40 per cent, a clear deterrent to the creation and development of personal capitalism. It creates double taxation: once on the "fruit of the tree", and once on the "tree" itself, and it exhausts capital needed for business enterprises.

To make the tax tolerable, a raft of reliefs, exemptions, and special pleadings have been needed. In particular, long-term gains tax at full rates has been bedevilled by inflation which, over a period of time, inevitably creates an illusory capital tax base. Over the past 20 years, the rate of inflation has been such that capital gains tax had become substantially a tax on inflationary gains until, after a long period without it, relief was finally introduced in two separate forms.

There is now an indexation allowance based on the increase in the retail prices index since March 31, 1982; and there is a rebasing of the historical cost of an asset to March 31, 1982, the fiction being that assets acquired earlier are to be treated as having been sold and reacquired on that date at their then market value. That explanation of indexation is a gross over-simplification of a whole series of complex rules within which anomalies, inequities and distortions abound. The tax has reached a level of complexity and impenetrability that is unintelligible to laymen, and insupportable when we go, as we shall in 1995-96, into the system of self-assessment.

"Self-assessment" means that the individual bears responsibility for computing his personal tax bill. To suppose that the lay taxpayer can correctly calculate his own capital gains tax is to fly in the face of logic and reason. Errors and omissions in calculation will expose him to interest and penalties, which seems quite inequitable, given the complex nature of the tax. So self-assessment may be the catalyst that enforces change and decouples long- and short-term gains.

If only long-term and short-term gains could be separated out, the rate for long-term gains could be substantially reduced, to say 15 per cent, without dramatic consequences for the yield to the national Exchequer, which is £4.5 billion.

Short-term gains tax would remain at the full income tax rate. This reform would permit the repeal of pages of anti-avoidance tax law, laborious and convoluted, which have been enacted to catch those gains which are analogous to income, or specially structured to avoid income tax. In these cases, the "capital gain" is truly comparable to "annual income" and, to that extent, Nigel Lawson was justified in prescribing a single rate for both income tax and capital gains tax. Where he was grossly in error was in prescribing the 40 per cent rate for genuine long-term gains.

A fair system for taxing long-term gains, (assuming that there should be one) is more difficult to devise. If inflation is really to slow down, the only measure needed would be (say) a ten-year re-basing cycle, so that after a decade, during which any asset had been continuously held, liability to all gains taxes would be cancelled. The product on disposal of an asset after ten years can hardly be equated with annual income that is subject to income tax.

Alternatively, there is a strong case for total abolition of long-term gains tax on all *business* assets, the economic purpose of which is to yield taxable profits or income. Most representational bodies have got their own prescription for the "reforms" which should be introduced, but there is consensus that a prima facie distinction should be made between short-term and long-term gains. If the Chancellor could make this change in his 1994 Budget, he would give personal capitalism a big new incentive boost at a small cost.

The author is chairman of Rathbone Brothers Plc and was a member of the team that devised capital gains tax.

Rising costs the biggest fear

Philip Bassett says the recent interest rate rise may have hurt, but there are bigger threats to business

Brian Collins is acutely conscious of the current problems in running his business. "Business can cope with interest rates — that's peanuts, compared to prices. Most businesses can control that side of it, with their cash flow. Interest rates don't bother me one iota — it's when your raw material prices shoot up that it threatens to throw your whole business out."

Government ministers and City analysts will pore over the latest trends survey from the Confederation of British Industry, to be published tomorrow, the first large-scale tracking of business opinion since Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, raised interest rates last month. The survey should reveal what effect the rise has had on business and the prospects of sustained economic recovery.

For Mr Collins, who runs Wessex Packaging, in Salisbury, Wiltshire, a £1 million turnover business making specialised corrugated paper packaging products for industry, it is already clear. What bothers him and his 12 employees is not the half-point on base rates, but what he says is a 35 per cent increase in materials prices in the past six months.

Howard Davies, the director-general of the CBI, says: "That would have to be true. Corporate borrowing is not that high, and since profitability has been reasonably high, profits have been strong. Half a per cent on pay, for instance is worth much more than half a percent on interest rates."

While CBI economists still believe that rates are likely to drift up further over the next 12 months, the confederation is placing renewed stress on the need to keep pay — settlements and non-cash elements like benefits and pensions — down.

Warning of a stirring on the inflation front in a new report on pay, the CBI says: "Employers are already reporting the cost of living as an upward pressure on pay in both manufacturing and the service sector. That's a change on last year when it was a downward pressure."

Business evidence bears this out. The British Chambers of Commerce quarterly survey's tracking of the factors likely to impact upon manufacturing industry shows, for example, that the prices of materials overtook interest rates as a concern at the beginning of last year.

Prices are now way out in front as industry's main worry, with a balance of 80 per cent of companies citing them as a concern, as opposed to 51 per cent mentioning interest rates. In the service sector, which is less dependent on materials costs, interest rates still hold sway at 52 per cent with prices at 31 per cent.

Did business then overreact to the rate rise? CBI leaders believe not and in retrospect the CBI's merely quizzical note, with Mr Davies describing the increase as unusual and challenging only its timing, looks about right. Tomorrow's survey will be the first real evidence of whether in fact it was right.

Richard Brown, the chambers' deputy director-general, describes interest rates as a blunt weapon in economic management, and says that higher rates are hurting many companies, especially in retailing, and that in the view of business the Government and the Bank of England moved prematurely.

Some of the loudest howls against the rate rise came from the construction industry, whose leaders gave warning that its fragile and patchy recovery would inevitably be damaged — especially the housing market in its important autumn sales period.

Cost consultants E.C. Harris said last week that the rate rise could hardly have been worse for the building industry, and while Gary Roebuck, the Building Employers' Confederation economics adviser, is still sticking to that line, the House Builders' Federation will this week announce a further modest improvement in new homes activity, and will suggest that the recent mortgage rate increase did not have a damaging effect on the reservation of new homes.

Where the rate rise — and perhaps more important, the change in the direction of interest rate movements it signified to some — may hit hardest is in overall business confidence.

The CBI's latest report on costs says that significant rises are emerging. With employers saying they have little scope to raise output prices, that puts pressure on margins. Forecasts for next year say that the rate of company profit growth will halve to just 5 per cent.

As many as 45 per cent of companies are now recording higher purchase prices, according to figures from the Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply, with rises highest in chemicals, rubber, plastics, paper, timber and packaging products.

This month, timber prices rose for the 16th time in 17 months, for instance. Wood product prices were up for the 16th consecutive month, aluminium and paper for the ninth, cotton for the seventh, corrugated board for the sixth, PVC for the fifth. Although prices fell for some items — zinc, gas, heavy fuel oil — most price rises were associated with supply problems, especially in steel, timber and paper. Such price pressure is feeding up through the chain.

While the balance of manufacturers clearly want to raise their prices, most cannot because of strong consumer resistance. For instance, in the last CBI quarterly survey, a balance of 12 per cent of companies were forecasting price rises up to November, yet after a year of falling prices none had actually managed to put up their prices.

While a clutch of pay surveys today support the general view that pay settlements are drifting upwards, that drift is still slow and settlements are still at relatively low levels — though companies are concerned about Britain's declining unit labour cost performance against such competitors as Germany and Japan.

Higher interest rates were clearly intended to choke off any resurgent inflationary pressures, whether from pay or higher input prices. While ministers hope they will succeed, business is still cautious, still feeling squeezed, still nervous about putting what money it has from higher profits or loans into the capital investment that all sides agree is vital if any recovery is to be sustained. Tomorrow's CBI survey will be an important indicator — but it is likely that the waiting game in industry will still be in play.



Rachmaninov meets Poe

The BBC Orchestras: *Radio 3, 10.05pm.*

Tonight's contribution to a series that has provided a terrific platform for the BBC's orchestral and choral forces is an unusual amalgam of Welsh, Japanese, American and Russian artistry. The instrumentalists and chorus are the BBC National Orchestra of Wales, under Tadaaki Otaka. I do not know what part of the world the soloists — soprano Helen Field, tenor David Rendall and baritone Donald Maxwell — are from, but the American input is a poem by Poe. The music is Rachmaninov's. The choral symphony *The Bells* has four sections. "The Silver Sleigh Bells" and "The Mellow Wedding Bells" are not characteristic of Poe, but "The Loud Alarm Bells" and "The Mournful Bells" certainly are.

An Odd Body: Past Imperfect. *Radio 4, 2.00pm.*

By picking Sue Rodwell's murder mystery as one of my choices, I do not want you to think it is something out of the ordinary although, in one respect, it is. As in the Miss Marple stories, it is the amateur woman sleuth who finds the way out of the forest, while the professionals are still stumbling about in the undergrowth. Actually, it is in a forest that the skull of an au pair girl is discovered. The woman detective inspector (Annette Badland) and her sergeant (John Duttine) literally haven't a clue how to proceed. It is her mother (Gudrun Ure) who puts them on the killer's scent. If you can swallow that, you can swallow anything.

Peter Davalle

RADIO 1

FM Stereo. 4.00am Bruno Brookes with the Early Breakfast Show 8.30 Steve Wright in the Morning 9.00 Simon Mayo talks to Madonna 12.00 Emma Freud with the Lunchtime Show. Today's guest is Norman Wisdom, and at 12.30-12.45pm Newsbeat 2.00 Mark Goodier Roadshow, live from G-Mex, Manchester. With Urban Cookie Collective, Rozalla, Brand New Heavies and Shampoo 4.00 Claire Sturgess with Drivetime, including at 5.30-5.45 Newsbeat 7.00 Evening Session with Steve Lamacq and Jo Whiley 9.00 John Shuttleworth 10.00 Mark Radcliffe 12.00 Jo Whiley

RADIO 2

FM Stereo. 6.00am Sarah Kennedy with the Early Show 6.15 Pause for Thought 7.30 Wake Up to Wogan 9.15 Pause for Thought 9.30 Ken Bruce, including at 10.00 Pick of the Hits 11.30 Jimmy Young 2.00pm Gloria Hunniford 3.30 Ed Stewart 5.05 John Dunn in Japan 7.00 Hubert Gregg 7.30 Malcolm Laycock with Dance Band Days, and at 8.00 Big Band Era 8.30 Big Band Special 9.00 Humphrey Lyttelton with the Best of Jazz 10.00 Vince Hill with The Joint is Jumping 10.30 The Jamesons 12.05am Digby Fairweather with Jazz Notes 1.00 Charles Nove 3.00-6.00 Alex Lester

RADIO 5 LIVE

5.00am Morning Reports 6.00 The Breakfast Programme, including at 6.55 and 7.55 Racing Preview 8.35 The Magazine, including at 10.35 Euronews 11.15 Actuality 12.00 Midday with Mair, including at 12.34pm Moneycheck, with Liz Barclay 2.05 Ruscoe on Five 4.00 John Inverdale Nationwide 7.00 News Extra, including at 7.20 sport 7.35 The Monday Match: Leeds United v Leicester City 10.05 Nawe Talk 11.00 Night Extra, including at 11.45 The Financial World Tonight 12.05am The Other Side of Midnight 2.00 Up All Night

RADIO 3

6.55am Weather

7.00 **On Air**, with Andrew McGregor. Telemann (Overture burlesque, Suite in B flat); Grieg (Three Lyric Pieces; Arietta, Op 12 No 1; Berceuse, Op 38 No 1; Schmetterling, Op 43 No 1); Respighi (Pini di Roma); Rameau (Overture: Entrée des quatres nations, Les Indes galantes); Kabalevsky (Four Preludes, Op 5); Vaughan Williams (Violin Concerto, Concerto Accademico)

9.00 **Composer of the Week:** Carl Maria von Weber. (Overture: Peter Schmoll; Konzertstück, Op 79; Symphony No 1 in C)

10.00 **Musical Encounters:** *Artist of the Week*: John Barbirolli, conductor. Elgar (Overture: Cockaigne); Sinés de Morata (Pués que me tienes Miguel); William Young (Sonata in A minor for four violins); Butterworth (A Shropshire Lad); Antonio Lauro (Vals Venezolano); Jorge Morel (Danza Brasilera); Bennett (Morning Music); Berlioz (Le Matin, Op 13 No 1); Haydn (String Quartet in D, Op 42); Vaughan Williams (Symphony No 8 in D minor)

12.00 **Drivel They Paid to Hear:** The headline that greeted William Walton after the first public performance of *Façade*

1.00pm **BBC Lunchtime Concert:** Live from St John's, Smith Square. Louis Lortie, piano, plays Beethoven (Rondo in C, Op 51; Sonata in E minor, Op 90; Sonata in A, Op 101)

2.00 **The BBC Orchestras:** BBC National Orchestra of Wales under Tadaaki Otaka and the BBC Welsh Chorus perform Tchaikovsky (Fantasy-Overture: Romeo and Juliet); Britten (Four Sea Interludes, Peter Grimes); Dvořák (Nocturne); Stravinsky (Pastorale) — to 3.45

3.45 **Bardic Connections:** Peter Harford performs Cornelia Rosiléos on the organ of Knox Grammar School and Woolongong Town Hall (r)

4.30 **The Guitar in Jazz:** The role of the acoustic guitar in contemporary jazz. With recordings by Ralph Towner, Al Di Meola and John McLaughlin

5.00 **The Music Machine:** Barrington Pheloung, composer of the *Inspector Morse* theme

5.15 **In Tune**, with Andrew Green

7.30 **Reinventing the Orchestra:** Hector Berlioz. The BBC Symphony Orchestra under Andrew Davis, with Nobuko Imai, viola. Schumann (Manfred, in a new concert version by Jeremy Sams); Berlioz (Harold in Italy)

9.10 **The Road to Volokolamsk:** Hugh Rorrison narrates his translation of *Russian Overture*, the first of five short plays by Heiner Müller

9.30 **The Schoenberg Quartets:** A new recording by the Arditti Quartet. Schoenberg (Quartet No 2, Op 10)

10.05 **The BBC Orchestras:** See Choice (r)

10.45 **Mixing It**

11.30-12.30am **Music Restored:** Cantus Cölln performs music from this summer's Festival of Baroque Music

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing 6.03 Weather 6.10 Farming Today 6.30 Today, incl 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 6.45 Business News 7.25, 8.25 Sports News 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.40 The Benn Tapes 8.58 Weather

9.00 **News 9.05 Start the Week**, with Melvyn Bragg and Gary Bushell. The guests are Glenda Jackson, Eric Hobsbawm, Penny Woolcock

10.00 **News; The Mating Game** (FM only): Lionel Kelleway chairs the natural history quiz

10.00 **Daily Service** (LW only) from Holy Spirit Church, Dovecot, in Liverpool

10.15 **Children's Radio 4: The Spying Game** (LW only): Richard Pearce reads the first of a five-part Pat Moon story

10.30 **Woman's Hour**, introduced by Jenni Murray

11.30 **Money Box Live: 071-580 4444**

12.00 **News; You and Yours**, with John Howard

12.25pm **Round Britain Quiz:** The North face the London team 12.55 Weather

1.00 **The World at One**, with Nick Clarke

1.40 **The Archers** (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast

2.00 **News; An Odd Body:** See Choice

3.00 **Anderson Country**, with Gerry Anderson

4.00 **News 4.05 Kaleidoscope:** Robert Dawson Scott discusses Giuseppina Strepponi, Verdi's wife.

4.45 **Short Story: The Prayer Lady**, by Sylvia Watanabe. Read by David Yip

5.00 **PM 5.50** Shipping Forecast

5.55 Weather

6.00 **News 6.30 *The News Quiz*** with Barry Took (r)

7.00 **News 7.05 The Archers**

7.20 **The Food Programme:** Derek Cooper talks to farmers from the Luberon region of Provence (r)

7.45 **The Monday Play: *The Rock Station.*** In Ger Fitzgibbon's powerful radio debut, set in October 1866, a mysterious death on a fragile timber-frame lighthouse off the west coast of Ireland reunites two brothers

9.00 **Simon Mayo Stanley:** Comedian Simon Bligh is plucked from the alternative cabaret scene and taken to the Falklands to perform to the armed forces

9.30 **Kaleidoscope** (r) 9.59 Weather

10.00 **The World Tonight**

10.45 **Book at Bedtime:** Los Angeles Without a Map. Shaun Prendergast reads the fourth part of Richard Rayner's novel

11.00 **Home Truths** (FM only): John Miller talks to Sir Fitzroy McLean (r)

11.00 **Education Matters** (LW only): Who should pay for education beyond school?

11.30 **A Whole New Ball Game** (FM only): Desmond Bem, Brenda Blethyn and Richard Pearce star in a second series of Martin Davies's acclaimed comedy of faith, families and football

11.30 **Today in Parliament** (LW only)

12.00-12.43am **News**, incl 12.27 Weather 12.33 Shipping Forecast 12.43 As World Service (LW only).

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THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Just getting in the swim

CITY folk who are tired of swimming against the tide of the stock market might care to dip their toes into the St George's Pool at Wapping on November 16 when hardy souls gather at the water's edge for the 71st Stock Exchange Swimming Gala. The event attracts a wide following, and this year is sponsored by Kleinwort Benson, Warburgs and Barclays de Zoete Wedd. There are 18 events, including relays, although participants who have attained a certain age might feel uncomfortable in believing they might be too old for the gala. According to club rules, "a person is designated a veteran if over 45 years of age on April 1, 1994". Richard Jackson of brokers Charles Stanley says a club move to lower the veterans age to 40, so there would be greater competition for the old timers who always seem to scoop the prizes, has been defeated — and much to his relief! Jackson usually carries off the trophies. And he is 55!

Power probe

INVESTORS in Yorkshire Electricity will undoubtedly raise three ohms for their company's efforts to halt meter fiddling. A hot line has been set up, a video, *Daylight Robbery*, has been made with advice and support from the Home Office Crime Prevention Unit, and a team of investigators has been set up. Fiddling the meter costs Yorkshire almost £5 million a year, enough to pay a 2½p dividend to every shareholder.



Cheers!

JOHN Lee of James Capel, who performed the last trade on the old Stock Exchange floor, will soon be living up to his nickname, "Liquid Lee". To celebrate his 10th year on the options floor, City Diary has chosen Lee to receive its monthly case of Laphroaig whisky, provided with the compliments of Allied Distillers. Lee, who is easy to spot for the "LIQ" initials on his Liffe jacket, wound up trading at Throgmorton Street with Bill Leask of Smith New Court on January 31, 1992. A case of Laphroaig is on offer each month for either the source who provides a good yarn or the player in a witty drama — at our discretion.

Drift-ing mine

EXECUTIVES of recently listed Australian copper miner Straits Resources include London-born David Toms who, as a schoolboy, sold the *Evening Standard* in the Square Mile. Now in his late 40s, Toms is a colourful character with a keen business acumen — and a far reaching eye. Straits' main asset is a 60 per cent interest in an Australian copper mine which the annual report insists is in New South Wales. But hold on. Look at the annual report of fellow partner Nord Pacific, owned by Nord Resources of Dayton, Ohio, and which has a 35 per cent stake, and they insist the mine in question is in Western Australia. Mine site visitors should be prepared for a long journey.

COLIN CAMPBELL

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Tell me if you've heard this one before . . .

REVIEW



Lynne Truss

Pity the press officer whose job was to beat off hacks desperate for a preview tape of last night's **Wax Meets Madonna** (BBC 2). "Sorry," there's no tape," she said. "But we've released a list of Madonna's quotes. I can read them to you, if you like." Really? Oh well, fire away. "I'm a creamy smooth pop icon goddess," she replied, surprisingly. And then, in complete, matter-of-fact deadpan (as though reading the report from coastal stations): "I'm not getting out of bed until he makes me come."

There were lots more Madonna-isms, mainly about "grabbing", "Warren Beatty", and having "no regrets", but I stopped writing them down. I mean, who cares what Madonna said to Ruby Wax? We've heard it all before. No, the exciting thing was finding out what Ruby Wax said to Madonna, that's the whole point of tuning in to a celebrity interview these days.

The spoof **Knowing Me, Knowing You** (BBC 2) has been met with general mystification partly because it's too similar to the real thing: in these democratic and media-wise times the interviewer universally assumes "We've heard it all before", and puts a weary spin on proceedings just by sending up the genre, posing irreverent questions designed to provoke. As Alan Partridge might put it himself (with a nudge-nudge finger to the nose and a drum flourish at the end), it was *lack of curiosity that killed the chat* (!)

The "moribund" tag proved rather prophetic, in the end. The final, breathtaking bombshell in *Knowing Me, Knowing You* was indeed a death — a fatal accident, in which Alan Partridge fired off a duelling pistol by mistake and shot dead a cantankerous restaurant critic. In the course of the show, Alan had already danced with his leggy "Playmates" (sporting gruesome Alan Partridge plastic masks, like bank robbers), told a nine-year-old Hollywood star to "get a life", introduced an abysmal comedian and then sent him off, subjected two lesbians to abusive nicknames (reading a long list of new ones), and railed against the linen-suit culture of BBC 2 ("I loathe these people!"). From accidental suicide of such awesome proportions, accidental homicide was but a short, natural step. "I've just stabbed a senior academic to death in my kitchen," he joked with his longsuffering band-leader Glen Ponder. "It was Professor Peacock! I was playing *Cluedo*!" How he will be missed.

Cluedo was not a great success on television, I believe. But happily the set of "The Library" has been preserved and re-used for Germaine Greer's new series **The Last Word** (Saturday night, BBC 2). Flickering fire in large fireplace, books and mirrors on the walls, comfy antique chairs — such salubrious surroundings were a surprise for anyone who expected this all-women late-night discussion to take place in a mocked-up launderette, or round the kitchen table, or on the usual late-night, low black sofas with low black lighting, suggestive of a meter with no sixpence. Was it the *Cluedo* Library? Anyway, all it needed was Dr Black spreadeagled on the hearth-rug.

Saturday's programme took a while to warm up, with no lively cross-chat or loud laughs until Marcelle d'Argy Smith (of *Cosmopolitan*) asserted that most women don't sleep with a man on a first date — at which there was a huge guffaw and explosion of confidences ("Gets it out of the way!", and so on). Until then, the regular panel of Janet Street-Porter, Suzanne Moore and Ann Leslie (and second guest Miranda Sawyer) seemed uncertain whether to speak generally or anecdotally — though sexual confessions certainly brightened things up.

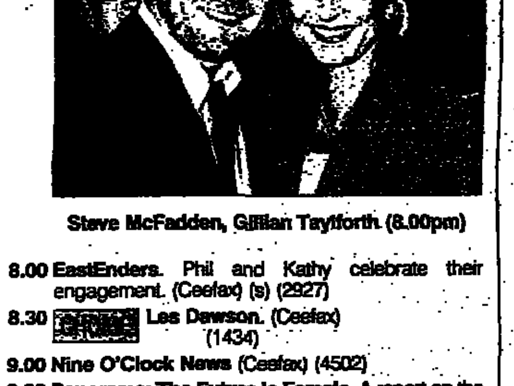
This is not a team of natural wine-bar chums. In fact, you could see why each speaker might consider herself the odd one out. Still, some nice points emerged: for example, that a busy married man can find time for an affair partly because he doesn't have to shave his legs: that friends go off with men and forget you, and then come back when the affair is over, angling for sympathy. If these women start genuinely enjoying each other's company, this could be a very good show.

A red-letter day for doomy **Seaforth** (BBC 1). Last night's episode contained the first joke! "Don't sell her, will you, Mother," scowled sour-puss Paula (Lia Williams) as she left her baby temporarily and went out (Mother had interfered previously by selling the contents of Paula's rented house). I laughed, but the sound of the laughter seemed strange, so I stopped. *Seaforth* has no time for levity. In the snakes-and-ladders which is a normal dramatic emotional life, *Seaforth* is snakey, snakey, all the way. "What are you crying for *now*?" Mother asked Paula last night, with justification. She's never without the taps on, that woman.

Finally, the Shakespeare season reached **Battle of Wills** (BBC 2), concerning the authorship debate — a respectful survey of the current theories, including a woman who believes Marlowe didn't die and an aged cryptographer who finds deeply embedded codes endorsing the claims of Sir Francis Bacon. Many Baconians have been driven mad by their quest, or so we were told (arguably a confusion of cause and effect). But either way, it was delightful when the cryptographer decoded the misquotation from *The Tempest* on Shakespeare's Poet's Corner memorial. By taking it all in the wrong order, you see, then laying it out in a square, you can find the words FRANCIS BACON AUTHOR in it, jumbled up. "It's a message," he said in all seriousness, "that has been staring us in the face for 250 years".

BBC1

6.00am Business Breakfast (60279)
7.00 BBC Breakfast News (34210705)
9.05 Kilroy (8992386)
10.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (1912144)
10.05 Good Morning with Anne and Nick. Includes **News**, regional news and weather at **11.00** (s) (15104415)
12.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (1978908) **12.05pm Pebble Mill**. Among Alan Titchmarsh's guests is Jack Jones (s) (3375521) **12.55 Regional News** and weather (26959279)
1.00 One O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (73182)
1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (89454724) **1.50 The Great British Quiz** chaired by Philip Hayton (s) (89458540)
2.15 Knots Landing (s) (1645521) **3.00 Today's Gourmet**. Jacques Pepin prepares his favourite dishes (1298)
3.30 Secret Life of Toys (s) (4522347) **3.45 Monster Café** (s) (4510502) **4.00 Mortimer and Arabel**. Puppet comedy drama (s) (9168892) **4.15 The All New Popeye Show** (r) (6215366) **4.35 Take Two** presented by Juliet Morris. (Ceefax) (9438637)
5.00 Newsround (2567873) **5.05 Blue Peter**. The guests include the winner of the 1994 Sainsbury's Futurecooks competition. (Ceefax) (s) (9667366)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (194250). **Northern Ireland:** Inside Ulster News
6.00 Six O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (279)
6.30 Regional News Magazines (231)
7.00 Telly Addicts. Television trivia quiz hosted by Noel Edmonds (s) (3279)
7.30 Watchdog. Consumer affairs series. (Ceefax) (s) (415)



Steve McFadden, Gillian Taylforth (8.00pm)

8.00 EastEnders. Phil and Kathy celebrate their engagement. (Ceefax) (s) (2927)
8.30 CHOICE **Les Dawson**. (Ceefax) (1434)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News (Ceefax) (4502)
9.30 Panorama: The Future Is Female. A report on the rise of women achievers. (Ceefax) (879724)
10.10 Nice Day At the Office. Comedy drama series starring Timothy Spall. (Ceefax) (s) (958927). **Northern Ireland:** The Back Page 10.35 Nice Day at the Office 11.05 Film 94 11.35 International Dancing 12.20am-2.00 Ring of Scorpio
10.40 Film 94 With Barry Norman. Kenneth Branagh talks about his *Mary Shelley's Frankenstein:* and there are reviews of the remake of *The Browning Version* and *Major League II*. (Ceefax) (s) (847989). **Wales:** *10.45 Film: Rosemary's Baby 1.00am-1.30 Film 94*
11.10 FILM: Rosemary's Baby (1968) starring Mia Farrow, John Cassavetes and Ruth Gordon. A horror story about a young wife who is befriended by Satanists and unwittingly gives birth to the Devil's child. Directed by Roman Polanski (72682927)
1.25am Weather (1532903)
3.00-3.50 BBC Select: RCN Nursing Update (r) (10800) **3.30 Pathways To Care** (r) (74336212)

BBC2

7.00 The Adventures of Buzzy Bee and Friends (r) (6777453) **7.05 Poddington Peas** (r) (6776724) **7.10 Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles** (r) (Ceefax) (5105683)
7.35 Record Breakers (r) (Ceefax) (7561873)
8.00 Breakfast News. (Ceefax and signing) (3323892)
8.15 Consuming Passions. Orange pancakes (9977989) **8.20 The Gift**. The Statue of Liberty (r) (9042298) **8.50 A Week To Remember** (b/w) (3581298)
9.00 Daytime on Two. Educational programmes. Plus, for children, **10.00-10.25** Playdays (r) (s) (2449453) **1.45** Words and Pictures (r) (s) (66102076) **2.00** Just So Stories (37079786)
2.10 FILM: Laura Lansing Slept Here (1988) starring Katharine Hepburn. A comedy directed by George Schaefer. **News** at **3.00** and **3.50** (280124)
4.00 NEW **Today's the Day**. Martyn Lewis returns with the recent history quiz (144)
4.30 NEW **Ready Steady Cook**. Cookery magazine series (328)



Talk show host Esther Rantzen (5.00pm)

5.00 NEW **Esther**. Esther Rantzen meets people with stories to tell (1057)
5.30 NEW **Catchword**. Paul Cola hosts the game that tests word power (908)
6.00 Murphy Brown. (Ceefax) (438347)
6.25 The Fresh Prince of Bel Air (528434)
6.50 Lucinda Lambton's Alphabet of Britain (r) (Ceefax) (s) (381250)
7.00 The World at War. Documentary series on the Second World War, narrated by Laurence Olivier (r) (6453)
8.00 CHOICE **White Heat: Dirt and Disorder**. (Ceefax) (s) (277415)
8.50 10 x 10: The Biz. (Ceefax) (525714)
9.00 Rab C. Nesbitt. (Ceefax) (s) (2144)
9.30 X-Files. Mulder and Scully investigate another case of the paranormal. (Ceefax) (s) (522279)
10.15 Harry Hill's Fruit Fancies (550434)
10.30 Newsnight. The findings of the Commission on Social Justice. (Ceefax) (45144)
11.30 CHOICE **Age of Extremes** (s) (597298)
12.10am Weather (9967090)
12.15 FILM: Notebooks on Cities and Clothes (1990). Wim Wenders's portrait of the Japanese fashion designer Yohji Yamamoto (s) (8062496). Ends **1.40**
2.00-4.00 Night School: Personal, Health and Social Education (62903) **4.45-5.00 BBC Select: Disability Agenda**. (82598903)

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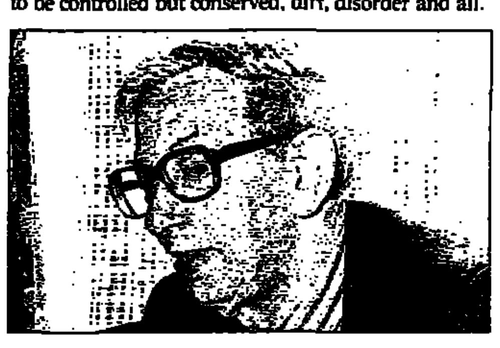
CHOICE

Cutting Edge: Open Wide
Channel 4, 9.00pm

Final year dental students confront their first patients at the Royal London Hospital in Whitechapel. Young doctors have featured in television documentaries but not, unless memory fails, young dentists. Virgin field or not, director Ros Franey tills it to effect. She starts by putting the inevitable question. Why choose a profession that often involves inflicting pain and *suffering on terrified patients? There are as many* answers as there are students. Two cases stand out. A four-year-old boy arrives with his teeth so badly decayed that ten have to be taken out. But the job also has a positive side. For a middle-aged woman new dentures have ended 20 years of misery. She is so delighted that she offers kisses all round.

White Heat: Dirt and Disorder
BBC2, 8.00pm

Another stimulating excursion into the history of technology suggests that a pervasive theme of the past 150 years has been the attempt to control nature. Dark, *irrational and dirty, nature was seen as the opposite of* civilisation. From the elaborate sewage system of 19th-century Paris to the application of electric power in Lenin's Soviet Union, the thrust of technology has been to make the world a cleaner and healthier place. The invention of Tupperware introduced this sanitising impetus into the kitchen. The new emphasis on environmental awareness has, ironically, brought the story more or less back where it started. Nature is not to be controlled but conserved, dirt, disorder and all.



Eric Hobsbawm on communism (BBC2, 11.30pm)

Age of Extremes
BBC2, 11.30pm

In conversation with Michael Ignatieff, the veteran historian Professor Eric Hobsbawm looks back over the 20th century, the subject of his latest book, and defends his loyalty to the Communist Party. Ignatieff pushes Hobsbawm hard on why he continued to support communism through the excesses of Stalinism, and his refusal to leave the party after the Soviet invasion of Hungary in 1956. Hobsbawm's answer, which has to do with living in Berlin when *Hitler came to power, may or may not convince but it* is eloquently put. He now admits there is no future for communism, at least in the Russian sense, but is adamant that the fate of the world cannot be left to free market capitalism. His prognostications are gloomy.

Les Dawson, The Entertainer
BBC1, 8.30pm

Les Dawson used scriptwriters, though they could never be sure he would stick to their lines. Barry Cryer, who wrote for Les, likens his job to that of a tailor running up clothes. For Les, he says, it had to be a very big fit. Roy Barraclough, who played Cissie to Dawson's Ada and introduces this tribute, recalls his old colleague's hatred of rehearsals. He would always arrive late, always with feeble excuses. The truth, probably, is that Dawson did not need to rehearse. Witness his extraordinary tale of the endangered Morecambe whelk, delivered extempore to a wide-eyed Roy Plomley. Or witness his subversion of the game show, *Blankety Blank*, which could even lead him into spouting cod Shakespeare. **Peter Waymark**

CARLTON

6.00am GMTV (82989) **8.40 Parkin's In . . .** Simon Parkin introduces cartoon fun (3658328)
9.25 Supermarket Sweep (s) (9568231) **9.55 London Today** (Teletext) (2426502)
10.00 The Time . . . The Place (s) (1901366)
10.35 This Morning (99072502) **12.20 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (1967892)
12.30pm News (Teletext) and weather (8851415)
12.55 Coronation Street *(r) (Teletext) (8869434)*
1.25 Home and Away (Teletext) (61024705)
1.55 Capital Woman (r) (80268291)
2.25 A Country Practice. Medical drama series (s) (53024724) **2.50 The Young Doctors** (1330724)
3.20 ITN News headlines (Teletext) (6709453) **3.25 London Today** (Teletext) (6706724)
3.30 Rainbow (r) (4526163) **3.40 Tots TV** (s) (5198601) **3.50 Taz-Mania** (r) (s) (9798665) **4.00 Sooty and Co** (s) (7336908) **4.25 Tiny Toon Adventures** (r) (6220298) **4.50 How 2**. Facts and fun (9171960)
5.10 After 5. Stories from in and around London. *(Teletext) (9651705)*
5.40 Early Evening News (Teletext) (704786)
5.55 Your Shout. Video soapbox (162892)
6.00 Home and Away (r) (Teletext) (347)
6.30 London Tonight (Teletext) (927)
7.00 The Hypnotic World of Paul McKenna Mesmerising entertainment (s) (8347)

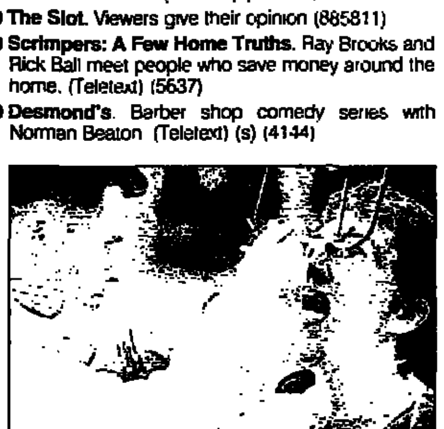


Breakfast blues for Hebden, Baldwin (7.30pm)

7.30 Coronation Street. Derek Wilton (Peter Baldwin) makes himself at home in Norris Cole's (Malcolm Hebden) flat. (Teletext) (811)
8.00 Wheel of Fortune. Game show (7095)
8.30 World In Action: The Journey. Reporter Adam Holloway and car crash victim Paul Bysouth travel from Surrey to London in a wheelchair (s) (6502)
9.00 Cracker: To Be a Somebody. Robbie Coltrane stars in the last of a three-part story. With Barbara Flynn. (Teletext) (s) (9163)
10.00 News at Ten *(Teletext) and weather (16250)* **10.30 London Tonight** (Teletext) (567347)
10.40 The Good Sex Guide. (Teletext) (s) (832057)
11.10 Look Who's Talking with Mariella Frostrup (s) (917328)
11.40 The Powers That Be. Comedy series about an affable politician (John Forsythe) (177908)
12.10am The Little Picture Show (5518477)
1.10 Endsleigh League Football Extra (9412854)
1.55 NEW **Traps**. Police drama series starring George C Scott and Dan Cortese as a retired homicide chief and his grandson, Chris, a rebellious young detective (1598187)
2.45 FILM: Recoil (1953, b/w) starring Kieron Moore and Elizabeth Sellars. A woman infiltrates a gang to avenge her father's murder. Directed by John Gilling (2680564)
4.05 Beyond Reality. Tales of the paranormal (25450632) **4.30 Videofashion** (19125)
5.00 Hollywood Report (r) (s) (65816)
5.30 ITN Morning News (68800). Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.35am King Arthur and the Knights of Justice (r) (7995873)
7.00 The Big Breakfast (63705)
9.00 You Bet Your Life. Game show for couples, hosted by Bill Cosby (r) (33927)
9.30 Schools. Geography Start Here! (5275540) **9.46** Talk, Write and Read (5265163) **10.02** Stage Two Science (5214182) **10.20** Maths Programme (2840057) **10.40** The English Programme (4342453) **11.05** Encyclopaedia Galactica (6387144) **11.15** Picture This! (4772724) **11.30** Rat-a-Tat-Tat (3905366) **11.45** Junior Technolgy (s) (3993521)
12.00 Right to Reply (r) (Teletext) (s) (13163)
12.30pm Sesame Street (86724)
1.30 Hullaballoo. Floella Benjamin looks at shapes (s). Followed by **Fourways Farm** (s) (62927)
2.00 FILM: The Girl Next Door (1953). Engaging musical starring June Haver, whose romance with the widower next door (Dan Dailey) is met with opposition from his young son (Billy Grey). Directed by Richard Sale (880188)
3.40 Sumodo. A silent film about sumo wrestlers preparing to do battle (2708095)
4.00 Simply the Best. In the fourth of a six-part series, Kit Chapman visits the herb garden at Congham Hall, a country house hotel near King's Lynn (540)
4.30 Fifteen to One. (Teletext) (s) (724)
5.00 The Late Late Show, hosted by Gay Byrne from Dublin (s) (8960)
6.00 Hangin' with Mr Cooper. American comedy series (Teletext) (s) (989)
6.30 The Cosby Show. Cliff (Bill Cosby) gives advice to a neighbour on the subject of father-son bonding (r). (Teletext) (569)
7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) (605873)
7.50 The Slot. Viewers give their opinion (885811)
8.00 Scrimpers: A Few Home Truths. Ray Brooks and Rick Ball meet people who save money around the home. (Teletext) (5637)
8.30 Desmond's. Barber shop comedy series with Norman Beaton (Teletext) (s) (4144)



Dental students' teething problems (9.00pm)

9.00 CHOICE **Cutting Edge: Open Wide** (Teletext) (s) (7705)
10.00 I'll Fly Away: Fragile Truths. Drama set in the American Deep South. (Teletext) (s) (484705)
10.55 The American Football Big Match. Gary Imlach introduces the Denver Broncos v the San Diego Chargers and Seattle Seahawks v the Kansas City Chiefs (5524347)
12.15am Transworld Sport (r) (355748)
1.15 Halfway to Paradise. Entertainment from Scotland. Featuring hits from the musical *Five Guys Named Moe*, country singer Randy Travis and Scottish band Blue Nile, and comedy from Bruce Morton (344632)
2.15 FILM: Fair Warning (1937, b/w). Suspense thriller starring J. Edward Bromberg as a deputy sheriff investigating the murder of a mine owner who is staying at an upmarket hotel in Death Valley. Directed by Norman Foster (5265545). Ends at **3.30**

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA
As London except: 1.55pm A Country Practice (89459279) **2.20** Yan Can Cook (53016705) **2.50-3.20** Blockbusters (1330724) **5.10-5.40** Shortland Street (9651705) **6.25-7.00** Anglia News (848231) **11.10** First Take (917328) **11.40** Magnum (960095) **12.35am** Coach (8974380) **1.05** Endsleigh League Football Extra (9415941) **1.50** Sport AM (8895309) **2.45** Hot Wheels (7023309) **3.10** The Beat (7128274) **4.05** Jobfinder (6170496) **5.00-5.30** America's Top Ten (65816)

CENTRAL
As London except: 1.55pm A Country Practice (89459279) **2.20** Yan Can Cook (53016705) **2.50-3.20** Blockbusters (1330724) **5.10-5.40** Shortland Street (9651705) **6.25-7.00** Central News and Weather (848231) **11.10-12.10am** World Championship Boxing (514279) **4.15am** Jobfinder (5425019) **5.20-5.30** Asian Eye (6255019)

GRANADA
As London except: 9.55am-10.00 Granada News (2426502) **12.20pm-12.30** Granada News (1967892) **12.55** Home and Away (8869434) **1.25** Look and Cook (81024705) **1.55** Murder, She Wrote (6533182) **2.50-3.20** Shortland Street (1330724) **3.25-3.30** Granada News (6708724) **5.10-5.40** A Country Practice (9651705) **6.25** Granada Tonight (848231) **7.00-7.30** The Hypnotic World of Paul McKenna (8347) **10.30** Granada News (567347) **10.40** Passion (832057) **11.10** The Motor Show at the Motor Show (917328) **11.40** With... The Boo Radleys (177908) **12.10am** Best of British Motor Sport (8803309) **12.45** Rock Sport (7590309) **1.05** Endsleigh League Football Extra (9415941) **1.50** Sport AM (8895309) **2.45** Hot Wheels (7023309) **3.10** The Beat (7128274) **4.05** Jobfinder (6170496) **5.00-5.30** America's Top Ten (65816)

HTV WEST
As London except: 1.55-3.20 Love in Pawn (9132095) **5.10-5.40** What's My Line? (9651705) **5.55** Home and Away (180434) **6.25-7.00** HTV News (848231) **10.40** Secrets of the Moor (832057) **11.10** Not the MS (917328) **11.40** West By Wedlock (177908) **12.10am** Love and War (8388361) **12.35** Coach (9974380) **1.05** Endsleigh League Football Extra (9415941) **1.50** Sport AM (8895309) **2.45** Hot Wheels (7023309) **3.10** The Beat (7128274) **4.05** Jobfinder (6170496) **5.00-5.30** Top Ten (65816)

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MERIDIAN
As London except: 1.55pm A Country Practice (89459279) **2.20** Up Front (53016705) **2.50-3.20** Shortland Street (1330724) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (9651705) **6.00** Meridian Tonight (347) **6.30-7.00** Spirit of the South: True... but Strange (927) **10.30-10.40** Meridian News and Weather (567347) **11.10** Without Prejudice? (917328) **11.40-12.10am** Sledge Hammer (177908) **5.00-5.30** Freescreen (65816)

WESTCOUNTRY
As London except: 1.55 Gardening Time (80268291) **2.25-2.55** The Young Doctors (53015076) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (9651705) **6.00-7.00** Westcountry Live (40705) **11.10** The Front Line (917328) **11.40** Phoenix (960095) **12.35am** Coach (8974380) **1.05** Endsleigh League Football Extra (9415941) **1.50** Sport AM (8895309) **2.45** Hot Wheels (7023309) **3.10** The Beat (7128274) **4.05** Jobfinder (6170496) **5.00-5.30** America's Top Ten (65816)

YORKSHIRE
As London except: 1.55pm A Country Practice (89459279) **2.20-2.50** Travel Trails (53016705) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (9651705) **5.55** Calendar (662786) **6.30-7.00** Chatsworth (927) **10.30** Calendar News and Weather (567347) **10.40** On the Edge (832057) **11.10** The Good Sex Guide (917328) **11.40** Prisoner: Cell Block H (960095) **12.35am** Hercules (985545) **2.20** The New Music (6155545) **3.20** ITV Chart Show (7142854) **4.15-5.30** Jobfinder (4484816)

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Starts: 7.00am The Big Breakfast (63705) **9.00** *You Bet Your Life* (33927) **9.30** Ysgolion/schools (873057) **12.00** Right to Reply (13163) **12.30pm** Slot Meithrin Ty Chwith (30328) **1.00** Trumpton (65892) **1.30** Scotland's Larder: Going for the Market (62927) **2.00** Showboat (6076) **4.00** Waterways (540) **4.30** Batman (724) **5.00** 5 Pump — Cracabant (9460724) **5.15** 5 Pump — Iesau (8826892) **5.30** Fifteen to One (796) **6.00** Newyddion 6/ News (510415) **6.20** Heno (861182) **7.00** Pobol Y Cwm (6989) **7.30** Sgorio (29647) **8.30** Newyddion/news (4144) **9.00** Y Byd Ar Bedwar (7340) **9.30** Cheers (42692) **10.00** I'll Fly Away (484705) **10.55** The American Football Big Match (5524347) **12.15am** Desmond's Love Letters (39516) **12.45** Lonely Planet Alaska (89057)

SATELLITE

SKY ONE
6.00am DJ Kat Show (16354706) **8.40** Cartoons (8413057) **9.30** Card Sharks (9141144) **9.55** Concentration (9159163) **10.25** Dynamo Duck (2805502) **10.30** New Candid Camera (57521) **11.00** Sally Jessy Raphael (11366) **12.00** The Urban Peasant (48873) **12.30pm** E Street (98366) **1.00** Falcon Crest (86521) **2.00** Hart to Hart (87811) **3.00** Class of '96 (9253182) **3.50** DJ Kat Show (3342366) **5.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (6908) **6.00** Gamesworld (5521) **6.30** Spellbound (6873) **7.00** E Street (7637) **7.30** M*A*S*H (2057) **8.00** Adventures of Brisco County Jr (21618) **9.00** Melrose Place (34182) **10.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (44569) **11.00** David Letterman (879279) **11.45** Booker (787453) **12.45am** Barney Miller (27187) **1.15-1.45** Night Court (44800)

SKY NEWS
News on the hour.
6.00am Sunrise (1943873) **9.30** Worldwide Report (85892) **1.30pm** CBS This Morning (95279) **2.30** Parliament (2434) **3.30** The Book Show (4279) **6.00** Littlejohn (36417) **11.30** CBS News (80908) **12.30am** ABC News (50361) **1.10** Littlejohn (1765941) **2.10** Newswatch (5059090) **2.30** Parliament (87632) **3.30** The Book Show (26552) **4.30** CBS News (12900) **5.30** ABC News (97570)

SKY MOVIES
8.00am Showcase (2331540) **10.00 Rio Shannon** (1992): Family drama (12990) **12.00 Zorba the Greek** (1964) Drama (36224250) **2.20 The Great Bank Robbery** (1969): Spoof western (947163) **4.00 Dusty** (1982): Australian film (4540) **6.00 Over the Hill** (1991): Drama (15057) **8.00 The Positively True Adventures of the Cheerleader-Murdering Mum** Real-life spoof (10502) **10.00 Under Siege** (1992) Drama (384182) **11.45 Class Act** (1992): Frenetic comedy (116163) **1.25am Another You** *(1991): Drama (753274)* **3.00 Scum** (1980). Brutal drama (670293) **4.35-6.00 Dusty** (1982): As 4pm (7928962)

SKY MOVIES GOLD
6.00pm The Appaloosa (1966): Drama (72273) **8.00 Lover Come Back** (1961): Comedy (12908) **10.00-12.00 The Parallax View** (1974): Thriller (84973)

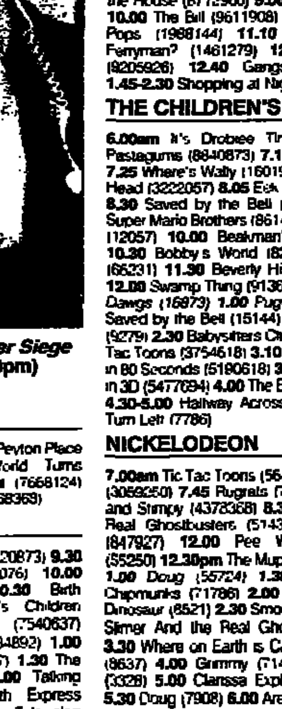
THE MOVIE CHANNEL
5.00am Tarzan Escapes (1936). Adventure (37637) **8.00 Frank Einstein**: Animation (43163) **9.00 Treasure Island**: Animation (33637) **10.00 A Lawless Street** (1955). Western (90724) **12.00 T Bone 'n' Weasel** (1992): Comedy adventure (68328) **2.00pm Alvarez Kelly** (1966): Western (26163) **4.00 Frank Einstein**: As 8am (54881) **6.00 Treasure Island**: As 9am (2081927) **5.55 T Bone 'n' Weasel** (1992) As noon (56444724) **7.30 UK Top Ten** (8095) **8.00 Traces of Red** (1992). Thriller (18144) **10.00 Martial Law** (1989). Thriller (37453) **11.30 Sleepwalkers** (1992): Horror (18502) **1.00am Roadie** Comedy (138816) **2.45 Vanished Without a Trace** (1992). Drama (426274) **4.20-6.00 Tarzan Escapes** As 5am (960212)

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SKY SPORTS
7.00am Watersports (95540) **8.00** Sport Special (54521) **8.30** American Sports (86502) **9.30** Aerobics Oz Style (70057) **10.00** Australian Rugby League (73989) **11.30** One to One (25980) **12.00** Aerobics Oz Style (54908) **12.30pm** Super Sunday: Blackburn Rovers v Manchester United (15398) **2.30** Opposite Lock (19453) **4.30** Windsurfing (6786) **5.00** WWF Mania (3386) **6.00** Soccer News (241908) **6.15** Classics (239163) **6.30** Fishing (2601) **7.00** Football: Leeds v Leicester (8885076) **11.00** Soccer News (970057) **11.15** Fishing (708786) **11.45** Classics (979453) **12.00-2.00am** Football (65800)

EUROSPORT
7.30am Step Aerobics (39786) **8.00** Golf (98637) **9.00** Dancing (53415) **10.00** Cycling (68298) **11.00** Touring Car (48434) **12.00** Motorcycling (88076) **1.00pm** Volleyball (97724) **2.00** Tennis (80750) **3.30** Nascar (58540) **4.30** Football (44328) **6.30** Eurosport News (5927) **7.00** Nascar (67434) **8.00** Live Cycling Nations Open from Paris (87298) **10.00** Eurogoals (57231) **11.30** Eurogolf Magazine (12368) **12.30-1.00am** Eurosport News (14583)

SKY TRAVEL
12.00 Travel Destinations (5446163) **12.30pm** Kids Down Under (5603434) **1.00** Dive Miami (9668304) **1.30** Hawaii Cooks (5602705) **2.00** American Adventurer (5660076) **2.30** To the Ends of the Earth (8716811) **3.30** Destinations (8974057) **4.00** Dive Miami (6966892) **4.30** Kids Down Under (6982076) **5.00** Hawaii Cooks (5971328) **5.30** To the Ends of the Earth (2530366) **6.30** American Adventurer (6987521) **7.00** Travel Destinations (5984892) **7.30** Around the World (6983705) **8.00** Travel Guide (4931637) **9.00** Canary Islands (9322811) **9.30** Cooking in America (5623298) **10.00** Golf in Paradise (5447892) **10.30** Travel Destinations (5456540) **11.00** Hawaii Cooks (9301328) **11.30-12.00** Mansions (8611076)



Steven Seagal is *Under Siege* (Sky Movies, 10.00pm)

SKY SOAP
8.00am Loving (5443076) **8.30** Peyton Place (5442347) **9.00** As the World Turns (2630366) **10.00** Guiding Light (7668124) **11.00-12.00** Another World (3268369)

TLC
9.00am The Joy of Painting (7520873) **9.30** Simply Delicious Fish (1080076) **10.00** Private Lives (4461434) **10.30** Birth (1971231) **11.30** Somebody's Children (5273144) **12.00** Real Life (7540637) **12.30pm** Class by Class (1084892) **1.00** Simply Delicious Fish (5988927) **1.30** The Joy of Painting (1083163) **2.00** Talking Heads (1350144) **2.30** Youth Express (6754106) **3.00** Cyril Fletcher's Television Garden (1379279) **3.30-4.00** Running Repairs (1704801)

UK GOLD
7.00am The Sullivans (8150415) **7.30** Neighbours (8162250) **8.00** Sons and Daughters (9600682) **8.30** *EastEnders* (9609163) **9.00** The Bill (9690415) **9.30** One by One (5311618) **10.30** Juliet Bravo (88998144) **11.35** The Sullivans (19680908) **12.00** Sons and Daughters (9610279) **12.30pm** Neighbours (1928724) **1.00** EastEnders (8159786) **1.30** The Bill (1927095) **2.00** George and Mildred (8720989) **2.30** Man About the House (9543873) **3.00** Knots Landing (3631724) **4.00** Dynasty (3610231) **5.00** Every Second Counts (2971347) **5.40** Top of the Pops (4822705) **5.55** Terry and June (6873908) **6.30** EastEnders (9568182) **7.00** The Two Ronnies (6838927) **8.00** Life Without George (8733453) **8.30** Man About the House (8712960) **9.00** Tenko (6827811) **10.00** The Bill (9611908) **10.30** Top of the Pops (1988144) **11.10** Who Pays the Ferryman? (1461279) **12.10am** Dr Who (9205926) **12.40** Gangsters (81181800) **1.45-2.30** Shopping at Night (5205651)

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL
6.00am It's Drobee Time (64057) **7.00** Pastagums (8840873) **7.15** Tifou (6881724) **7.25** Where's Wally (1601989) **7.55** Head to Head (3222057) **8.05** Eek the Cat (1167927) **8.30** Saved by the Bell (63) (95892) **9.00** Super Mario Brothers (86144) **9.30** Art Attack (12057) **10.00** Beakman's World (35569) **10.30** Bobby's World (82328) **11.00** Jem (66231) **11.30** Beverly Hills Teens (67960) **12.00** Swamp Thing (91368) **12.30pm** Stunt *Dawgs (16973)* **1.00** Pugwall *(64569)* **1.30** Saved by the Bell (15144) **2.00** Eek the Cat (9279) **2.30** Babysitters Club (9750) **3.00** Tic Tac Toons (3754618) **3.10** Around the World in 80 Seconds (5180618) **3.45** Head to Head in 3D (5477694) **4.00** The Bots Master (1502) **4.30-5.00** Halfway Across the Galaxy and Turn Left (7786)

NICKELODEON
7.00am Tic Tac Toons (56453) **7.30** Grimmy (3069250) **7.45** Rugrats (736434) **8.15** Ren and Stimpy (4373368) **8.30** Slimer and the Real Ghostbusters (51434) **9.00** Nick Jr (847927) **12.00** Pee Wee's Playhouse (55250) **12.30pm** The Muppet Show (72415) ***1.00** Doug (55724)* **1.30** *Alvin and the Chipmunks* (71786) **2.00** Denver the Last Dinosaur (6521) **2.30** Smoggies (6892) **3.00** Slimer And the Real Ghostbusters (4328) **3.30** Where on Earth is Carmen Sandiego? (8637) **4.00** Grimmy (7144) **4.30** Rugrats (3328) **5.00** Clarissa Explains It All (9873) **5.30** Doug (7908) **6.00** Are You Afraid of the Dark? (7521) **6.30-7.00** Joe 90 (8873)

DISCOVERY
4.00pm From Monkeys to Apes (9565095) **4.30** Wild Sanctuaries (9581279) **5.00** Guide to the Orient (8735811) **5.30** New Explorers (9545231) **6.00** Beyond 2000 (1901057) ***7.00** Lifeboat (8722347)* **7.30** *Secrets of Treasure Islands* (9562908) **8.00** Wildside (6812989) **9.00** Disappearing World (6825453) **10.00** Adventure (6828540) **11.00** Secret Weapons (3619502) **11.30-12.00** Survival (397798)

BRAVO
12.00 FILM. Curtain Up (1952) Drama (1916250) **1.30pm** Mothers-in-Law (1912163) **2.00** Avengers (3969960) **3.00** My Three Sons (8727892) **3.30** Beverly Hillbillies (9540786) **4.00** FILM Sea Devils (1953) Hokum (8738908) **6.00** Get Smart (9579238) **6.30** Cannon (6562618) **7.30** Invisible Man (9559434) **8.00** Avengers (6809415) **9.00** Twilight Zone (3634811) **9.30** Rat Patrol (1900328) **10.00-12.00** FILM: Percy's Progress (1974) Farce (3625163)

UK LIVING
6.00am Anne and Nick (2386892) **7.00** Living (2060750) **8.00** Fighting Back (7532618) **8.30** Great Expectations (7531989) **9.00** Masterchef (7636960) **9.35** Definition (4832540) **10.00** Trivia Trap (4456502) **10.30** Susan Powter (7544453) **11.00** Young and Restless (5979279) **12.00** The Look (1775665) **12.35pm** Kilroy (3956521) **1.30** On the House (1078231) **2.00** Agony Hour (4457231) **3.00** Living (5166881) **3.45** Gladrags and Glamour (46679231) **4.00** Infatuation UK (4987694) **4.30** Definition (57081365) **4.55** Chinese Cookery (3114989) **5.30** Kate and Allie (6059958) **6.00** Material World (3704881) **6.30** Rodeo Drive (9009273) **7.00** Living Highlights (4024811) **8.00** Young and Restless (4000231) **9.00** FILM Victim of Beauty: Drama (88622144) **10.50** Enjoy! (1713786) **11.00** Susan Powter (5282892) **11.00** Infatuation (5282892) **11.30-12.00** Material World (4452786)

FAMILY CHANNEL
5.00pm The Adventures of Tintin (3231) **5.30** Jeux Sans Frontieres (84705) **6.30** Through the Keyhole (3231) **7.00** Trivial Pursuit (3095) **7.30** The Mighty Jungle (8415) **8.00** Road to Avonlea (14366) **9.00** Moonlighting (94502) **10.00** Catchphrase (41827) **10.30** GP (83057) **11.00** Lou Grant (41618) **12.00** Rhoda (51767) **12.30am** Big Brother Jake (45477) **1.00** Family Catchphrase (84019) **1.30** Trivial Pursuit (27212) **2.00** Moonlighting (72903) **3.00** Lou Grant (98080) **4.00** Rhoda (22361) **4.30-5.00** The Mighty Jungle (98212)

MTV
5.00am Awake on the Wildside (20748) **6.30** The Grind (13347) **7.00** Awake on the Wildside (37540) **8.00** VJ Ingo (741279) **11.00** Soul (55811) **12.00** *Greatest Hits* (37366) **1.00pm** Afternoon Mix (505144) **3.30** Coca-Cola Report (9394827) **3.45** CineMatic (8849732) **4.00** News (1617960) **4.15** Three from One (1630811) **4.30** Dial (9144) **5.00** Hit List UK (89231) **7.00** Greatest Hits (22796) **8.00** Stone Temple Pilots (1873) **8.30** Pearl Jam (5368) **9.00** Real World (88459) **9.30** Beavis and Butt-Head (38095) **10.00** Coca-Cola Report (542540) **10.15** CineMatic (547095) **10.30** News (381989) **10.45** Three from One (379144) **11.00** The End? (53637) **1.00am** Soul (16212) **2.00** The Grind (40767) **2.30-5.00** Night Videos (940458)

VH-1
7.00am Crawling from the Wreckage (5371195) **9.00** Café (1427453) **12.00** The Bridge (6353811) **1.30pm** Ten of the Best (6409279) **2.30** Heart and Soul (8725569) **3.30** Into the Music (7811076) **6.00** Prime Cuts (5613811) **7.00** For You (4924347) **8.00** Album Chart (4937811) **10.00** The Bridge (2656540) **11.30** Malcolm McLaren (8613434) **12.00** The Nightly (5952767) **2.00am** Prime Cuts (1290583) **3.00** Album Chart (3901274) **5.00-7.00** Dawn Patrol (8431380)

TV ASIA
6.00am Persian Dawn (84811) **7.00** Asian Morning (25366) **8.30** Buniyaad (99618) **9.00** FILM Society (469163) **12.00** Pakistani Drama (81724) **1.30pm** FILM: Ek Hi Raasta (364144) **4.30** Kiddie Time (7540) **5.00** TVA and You (7057) **5.30-6.00** Buniyaad (8892) **7.00** Pakistani Drama (9637) **8.00** News Bulletin (5057) **8.30** India Business Report (7892) **9.00** FILM Bepanah (71435231) **12.05am** Five Past Midnight (6232651) **1.35** Sight and Sound (29657654)

CARTOON NETWORK/TNT
Continuous cartoons from 5am to 7pm, then TNT films as below.
Theme: Bio Rhythms
7.00pm My Wild Irish Rose (1947). Biopic of the Irish composer and tenor Chauncey Olcott (28790960) **8.55 Till the Clouds Roll By** (1946) Biopic of Jerome Kern (37381811) **11.25 Shine On, Harvest Moon** (1944). Biopic Nora Bayes and Jack Norworth (90620540) **1.30am Gaiety George** (1948) Biopic of George Edwardes (98128274) **3.15-5.00 Broadway to Hollywood** (1933). Drama about a showbusiness family (77423187)

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Pay rises become a key worry for firms

BY PHILIP BASSETT, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

COMPANY directors' pay is rising three times as fast as inflation, according to a survey. The findings are issued amid signs that pay awards in general are increasing.

The results of a string of studies on pay all tend to confirm employers' worries that pay is starting to re-emerge as a key problem facing business, along with rising prices of materials — considerably outstripping worries about interest rates.

Tomorrow, ministers will study closely new evidence on the performance of British business when the Confederation of British Industry publishes its latest quarterly *Industrial Trends* survey — the first major study of industrial opinion since last month's rise in interest rates.

In advance of that, a series of surveys published today all reinforce growing pay concerns on the part of the Government and business. The latest study of executive pay and benefits suggests that those at the top end of business are still seeing pay rises both higher than inflation and far higher than the level of pay increases across the economy generally.

The survey, from Sedgwick Noble Lowndes, a firm of pay and benefits consultants, covered executives in a sample of 350 companies. It shows that over the past 12 months, the average pay increase for company directors has been 6.1 per cent — almost three times the current rate of retail price inflation. Increases for all company executives were slightly lower, at 5 per cent.

Executives in the Midlands and the North of England received the highest rises, according to the survey. The pay rises for company directors contrast sharply with wage settlements throughout the economy.

The latest figures from Incomes Data Services, the independent pay monitoring company, suggest that while the first pay deals of the autumn have been higher than inflation, the overall level is still about half that of rises received by company directors.

Looking at more than 100 pay reviews taking effect in the third and fourth quarters of this year, IDS says that about 85 per cent of settlements are providing for rises within a range of 2 to 3.9 per cent; only a "handful" of rises now are of less than 2 per cent.

Forthcoming awards already agreed provide for increases of about 3 per cent or more, including merit increases; they include rises averaging 4.8 per cent for staff at Guardian Royal Exchange, 3.7 per cent for Rover workers, at least 3.5 per cent at Ford and 3 per cent for employees at John Brown Engineering.

IDS also says that pay freezes, which were still fairly common at the beginning of the year, have "all but disappeared".

New figures today from the EEF engineering employers confirm the decline in pay freezes. The EEF suggests that during last year, 23 per cent of all reported settlements in engineering were freezes, but from July to September this year, only 8 per cent of deals were freezes.

EEF officials say that the average level of settlements in engineering over the period was 2.65 per cent, up from 2.52 per cent in the previous quarter.

Looking specifically at pay in the public sector, Industrial Relations Services, another pay group, says that the continuing freeze on public sector paybills into 1996-97 will mean that employers in the public sector "will be forced to consider ever more imaginative ways of funding and presenting pay rises from within existing budgets".

IRS says that this is likely to prompt further moves towards devolving pay setting to local level, and "perhaps an end to the phoney war" on local pay next year.

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Terry Maher, the former chairman of Pentos, has been in discussions with Barnes & Noble, the US bookseller, but denies planning a £70m bid

Maher in comeback talks with American bookseller

BY NEIL BENNETT
DEPUTY BUSINESS EDITOR

TERRY Maher, the ousted chairman of Pentos, has held talks with one of America's largest book retailers to encourage them to back his return to the high street.

Mr Maher recently met executives of Barnes & Noble, the leading US discount book retailer, to discuss a joint venture in the book retailing industry.

Last night, however, Mr Maher denied reports that he travelled to the US two weeks ago and urged Barnes to launch a £70 million bid for Pentos and reinstate him as chief executive. He refused to comment on the content of his discussions with Barnes.

Mr Maher, who was forced to leave Pentos last year after a revolt by the non-executive directors, is said by publishing sources to have suggested that Pentos, with its 149-store chain of Dillons bookshops, would be the perfect vehicle for Barnes & Noble to establish itself in Britain and open a chain of stores using the discounting format that has proved so successful in the US. Mr Maher has a long history of campaigning against the Net Book Agreement, which fixes book prices.

Barnes has more than 200 bookstores throughout America and offers discounts of up to 50 per cent on leading book titles.

Mr Maher confirmed that he is planning a return to book retailing in the New Year, either through a takeover or a greenfield start, but he refused to give details. "I believe there is an opening for a different kind of bookshop," he said.

By coincidence, Barnes is already negotiating with Pentos about launching a joint venture of discount bookstores. However, Bill McGrath, chief executive of Pentos, is reluctant to sign a deal at the moment. He believes he must first strengthen the company's finances.

Barnes is unconvinced that it should make a full bid for Pentos. Such a bid would cost at least £70 million and Barnes would also have to shoulder Pentos's £64 million debts. Nor does Barnes want to take on Rymans and Athena, Pentos's other loss-making retailing chains.

City firms square up over cost of capital

BY CARL MORTISHED

THE City establishment is trying to rally support for the system of fixed underwriting commissions, which is under attack for increasing the cost to companies of raising capital.

The Office of Fair Trading will soon publish a report by Paul Marsh, a professor at the London Business School, which criticises the level of underwriting commissions. Leading City institutions, however, have voiced strong objections to the views expressed in the report.

Mr Marsh examines the fixed commission structure used by merchant banks and brokers in pricing the risk of underwriting rights issues.

The dispute over underwriting commissions pits the old City guard of merchant banks and brokers against integrated houses such as American and European investment banks, including Swiss Bank Corporation, which raised hackles this year by muscling in on the Trafalgar House rights issue.

Having both capital and distribution, integrated houses are keen to offer a one-stop shop for cheaper equity fund-raising and at least one house is currently working on the mechanics of a flexibly priced rights issue.

The integrated houses include SG Warburg, ironically a pillar of the establishment but with interests that are believed to lean towards open pricing of issues, and which would benefit from a move to the American model. Warburg raised eyebrows recently when it underwrote a £10 million cash-raising in which the price was not determined until the offer closed.

Underwriting commissions are based on a formula that has been set in stone for decades. Companies are charged 2 per cent of the value of the rights issue shares, underwritten by a merchant bank for the first 30 days of risk. The bank retains ½ per cent and pays a stockbroker ¼ per cent to lay off the risk with institutions — "sub-underwriters" — that are paid the remaining 1¼ per cent.

Critics point out that the total cost of raising capital in a rights issue can be 17 per cent or more, since rights issue shares are normally issued at discounts of 15-20 per cent. This compares with the typical 3-4 per cent cost of raising equity capital in America.

TUC legal threat on pensions

BY ROBERT MILLER

THE Securities & Investments Board, the chief City regulator led by Andrew Large, will publish its report into mis-selling of personal pensions tomorrow as the TUC begins a campaign to take legal action against insurance companies.

The TUC is warning insurance companies of legal action if they fail to agree a key date with the SIB, on which the benefits of a mis-sold personal pension scheme are compared with the benefits left behind in a company pension scheme.

The SIB report will set out guidelines on how to identify possible victims of personal pension plan mis-selling. It will detail the remedial action which must be taken and, where necessary, how compensation should be calculated. The SIB has already identified what it regards as the priority cases to be dealt with. These include dependants of people who have died, those who have retired since being advised to leave an occupational scheme and transfer into a personal pension, and those nearing retirement.

John Monks, TUC General Secretary, said: "The only chance for these companies to redeem themselves in the eyes of the public — and they should not forget that image is vital to their success — is to fully co-operate with putting right their errors.

"Unravelling this will require goodwill all round. We are prepared to play our part by encouraging occupational scheme trustees, many of whom are trade unionists, to look favourably at ways that former members, who wrongly opted out, can rejoin.

"But most important, the SIB must come forward with a timetable to reassure the thousands of people who are worried about their pensions that they will receive full compensation. It should not be left to insurance companies to choose a date favouring them over their victims." But it will be months before any figure is put on possible compensation, which some estimates have put at £500 million.

Amstrad may soon sell direct to public

BY MARTIN WALLER, DEPUTY CITY EDITOR

AMSTRAD, Alan Sugar's consumer electronics company, is thought to be planning a coup against his much-disliked high street customers such as Comet and Dixons by refusing to supply them with computers and instead selling direct to the consumer.

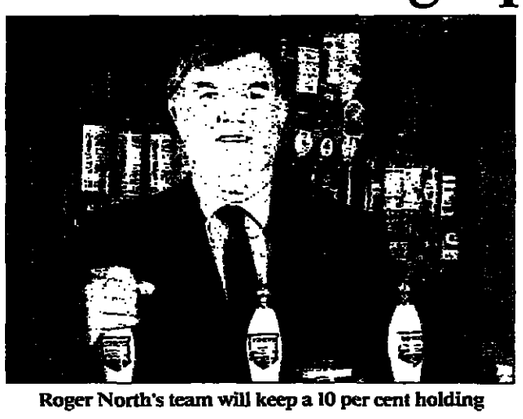
The plan arises from Amstrad's £60 million purchase in July of Viglen, a fast-growing computer maker that sells directly to the user via advertisments in newspapers and trade magazines.

Mr Sugar has long railed at the margins taken by big retailers on his products, which he claims leaves him little incentive to produce them. The City now thinks he is hatching plans to cut them out by using the Viglen distribution network to sell Amstrad product.

Mr Sugar fuelled speculation last week with cryptic remarks to the City at the occasion of the company's full-year figures, which showed another round of losses after substantial one-off costs and poor trading from the consumer electronics division.

Amstrad's personal computers are highly regarded and they have sales of £75 million a year. But he has regularly queried the wisdom of selling them through big retailers.

Ushers setting up December flotation worth £100m



Roger North's team will keep a 10 per cent holding

BY OUR DEPUTY BUSINESS EDITOR

USHERS of Trowbridge, the West Country brewer bought out from Courage three years ago, is planning to come to market in December in a flotation that should value the company at £100 million. The company owns 470 pubs in the South West and a brewery in Trowbridge, Wiltshire, which produces such beers as Founder's Ale and Manns Original. Ushers wants to float to repay high-interest debts taken on during the buyout and to provide funds to expand its estate.

In the past three years, Ushers, which was founded in 1824, has been re-established as an integrated regional brewer. Before the buyout, the company was operated as an arm of Watneys, which GrandMet sold to Courage in 1991. Courage sold on the business to a management team led by Roger North, the former head of GrandMet brewing, for £70 million.

Since then, the company has reduced its debts by £15 million, invested £13 million in the pub estate and bought 40 additional pubs. But Mr North said at the weekend that Ushers' development is being hampered by high interest bills. The company has debts of £35 million which carry interest rates of at least 11.5 per cent, as well as preference shares worth £25 million. Ushers hopes to repay all of this on flotation.

"There is a fairly extensive reorganisation going on within the brewing industry and it is essential that we are in a position to be part of it," said Mr North. He estimated that the high interest rates were draining the company of £1.5 million a year, compared with more normal interest rates. Mr North said the company also wants to develop an estate of managed houses when it has the resources.

The flotation will make Ushers' management team rich. They invested £500,000 in the buyout, but when the company is floated they should retain a 10 per cent stake, worth an estimated £10 million. The original buyout was backed by Schroder Ventures and Swiss Bank Corporation.

In the year to October 31 last year, Ushers made an operating profit of £13.4 million on a turnover of £48.8 million. Courage currently buys a large proportion of the brewery's output but these contracts fall to much lower levels in two years. Ushers is expanding so that it can switch this output to other customers, and is increasing own-label production for supermarket chains.

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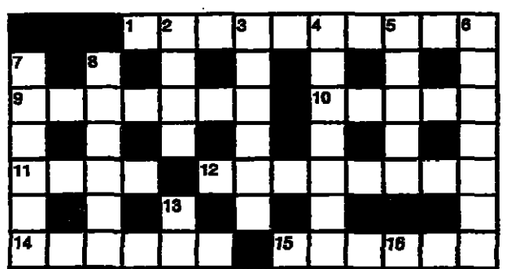
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TIMES TWO CROSSWORD

No 300

ACROSS
1 After the event (4,6)
9 Having characteristics of both sexes (7)
10 Better (weather); smaller (print) (5)
11 Row (of seats) (4)
12 Legendary (8)
14 Make use of (6)
15 Fragment of song: seize (6)
18 Inherent, indwelling (8)
20 Swallow fast, nervously (4)
22 Put out (fire) (5)
23 Be a glutton (7)
24 (In art) reacting against 20C convention (4-6)

DOWN
2 Finished (4)
3 Surgically bore skull (6)
4 Well-off (8)
5 Argentinian dance (5)
6 I am sorry to say (5,3,4)
7 Start to feel nervous (3,3,4,2)
8 Surrender (4,2)
13 Shaft of silvery light (8)
16 Hairpiece (6)
17 Bad (Orwell, *1984*) (6)
19 Savages; loose scrums (5)
21 Whistle derisively (4)

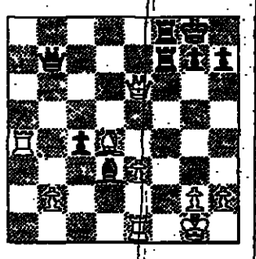
SOLUTION TO NO 299

ACROSS: 1 Face up 4 Dozen 8 Torus 9 Railing 10 Tee 11 Aroma 12 Compete 14 Dieted 16 Pundit 20 Turbine 23 Botch 24 War 25 Resolve 26 Aback 27 Slyly 28 Tennis

DOWN: 1 Fits and starts 2 Corrode 3 Upstage 4 Deism 5 Zaire 6 No great shakes 7 Wreck 13 Pun 15 Tub 17 Umbrage 18 Detrain 19 Jewel 21 Rusty 22 Inlay

By Raymond Keene

This position is from the game Ivkov - Kolarov, Wagingen 1957. How can Black exploit the latent power of the rooks on the f-file?



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By Philip Howard

HAWKSHAW
a. A type of falcon
b. Pipe tobacco
c. A detective

INANGA
a. A fish
b. An East African language
c. A division of an impi

KANGANY
a. A foreman
b. An Alaskan saloon
c. West-coast Indian language

METTWURST
a. A long-haired dachshund
b. A smoked sausage
c. Word without first and last letters

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